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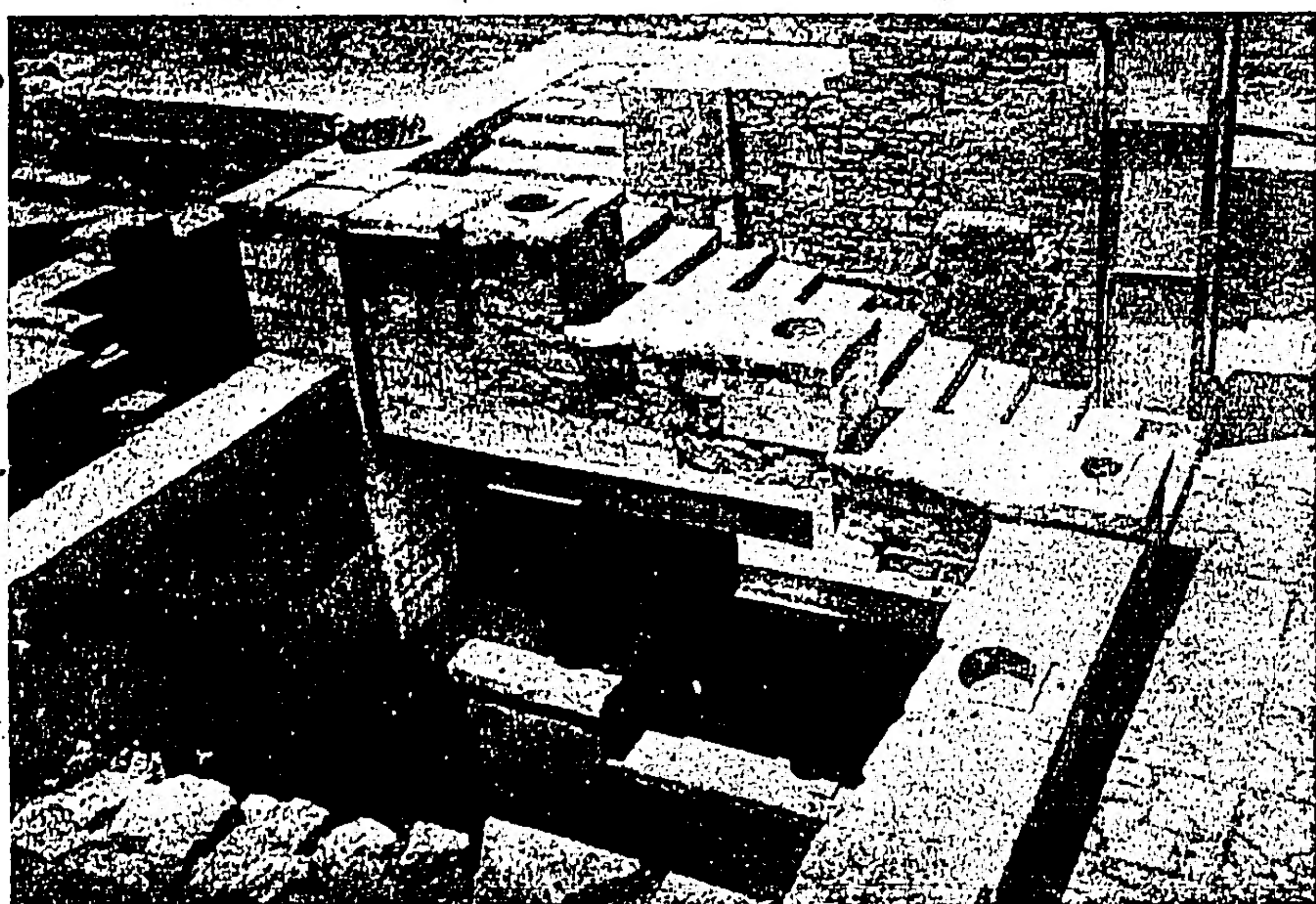
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LATEST OFFICIAL REPORT ON GERMAN INVASION OF CRETE Churchill Amplifies Original Statement

LONDON, MAY 20 (REUTER).—MR WINSTON CHURCHILL MADE ANOTHER SURPRISE STATEMENT IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS TO-DAY, DISCLOSING THE DRAMATIC NEWS THAT THE SITUATION IN CRETE IS NOW IN HAND. HE RECALLED THAT HE HAD EARLIER IN THE DAY MENTIONED THE BEGINNING OF A SERIOUS ATTACK UPON CRETE AND THOUGHT THAT THE HOUSE WOULD LIKE TO KNOW BEFORE IT SEPARATED WHAT WAS THE LATEST GOVERNMENT INFORMATION.



He said: "I cannot pretend that this statement is of momentous importance. It is only because we are altogether and I thought that the House was most anxious that I should keep them fully informed."

"After a good deal of intense bombing of Suda Bay and various aerodromes in the neighbourhood, about 1,500 enemy troops, wearing New Zealand battle dress (Indignant cries) landed by gliders, parachutes and troop-carriers in the Canea-Malemi area."

"This message was sent at noon to-day and the military reported that the situation was in hand."

Latest Reports
"A later report at 3 p.m. says that there is continuous reconnaissance, accompanied by sporadic bombing and machine-gunning, chiefly against the anti-aircraft defences."

"The military hospital between Canea and Malemi, which was captured by the enemy, has now been recaptured."

"A fairly strong enemy party is reported to the south of Canea-Malemi Road, which is not yet moved up, but other parties are thought to be accounted for."

"I thought that the people would like to hear how the action has so far developed." (Cheers.)

Gliders Used

CAIRO, May 20 (Reuter).—The German attack on Crete, which began just before dawn this morning, and which was preceded by yesterday's heavy air bombardment, had been expected and the appointment of Major-General C. B. Freyberg, v.c., as Commander-in-Chief, together with reinforcement of the defences and manpower, indicates Allied preparedness.

Crete is a considerable menace to the enemy because of its proximity to the mainland, but its capture will prove extremely difficult.

Lacking seapower, Germany must rely on air-borne troops; lacking landing grounds—the island is very

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Churchill's Story Of Latest Operations In North Africa

LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—In his statement in the House of Commons to-day, Mr Winston Churchill referred to the South African army and said that they had played a most distinguished part in the East African fighting.

Continuing, Mr Churchill said: "They had been ordered by General Smuts to go forward and now as this theatre is closing down, they are to move northwards to the Mediterranean (Cheers)."

"Also two British and Indian divisions gained laurels in the fighting at Kassala and all the way from Kassala to Keren and up to the final events."

"These Indian divisions consist of six Indian battalions and three British battalions. Their arduous and faithful endurance of hardship have won the regard of their British comrades."

"Sometimes we have seen cases where not a single British officer remained and the battalion conducted itself in a most effective manner."

"Any account of this campaign reflects very high honour upon the soldiers of India of all castes and creeds engaged."

Anglo-Nazi Encounter

"The second event which occurred since we were last here is the

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Nazi Raiders May Be Operating from Dakar

Special to the "Telegraph"

WASHINGTON, May 20 (UP).—The revelation that the steamer Zamzam was sunk in the South Atlantic has aroused apprehension in official circles to-day that German raiders might be operating from African ports such as Dakar. It has also caused serious speculation regarding the status of United States shipping which is scheduled to move to Egypt under President Roosevelt's recent decree opening the Red Sea to United States merchant vessels.

The fact that the Germans considered the Zamzam's cargo as contraband, although none of it was actual military equipment, created the presumption that cargoes on United States ships would also be classed as contraband by the Germans.

The State Department withheld comment but it is understood that it

Berlin Report

BERLIN, May 20 (UP).—An official news agency report from unofficial circles states that the Zamzam passengers have been landed by a German merchant steamer at a West African French port. It added that a German warship made a prize of the Zamzam in the middle of April and sank her after rescuing the passengers and crew.

Hit By Mine, Say Nazis

LONDON, May 19 (Reuter).—Reports reaching London say that the Germans are now circulating reports that the Zamzam was sunk by a mine. It is pointed out, however, that if she went down in the deep waters of the South Atlantic it is extremely unlikely that mines would have been encountered there, in any case, if she did strike a floating mine or one that had broken adrift, how did the Germans know about it?

On the other hand, this part of the Atlantic is known to be frequented by German pirates and her sinking by torpedo is much more likely.

HEARSE IN HURRY

The driver of a motorhearse, Edward William Frost, Eardley Road, Sevenoaks was at Bromley, Kent, recently, fined £1 for speeding in a road outside Elmira End Cemetery.

LATEST

FEROCIOUS FIGHTING GOING ON Ruthless Action By Crete Defenders

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, May 20 (UP).—According to the latest official information received in London, strong enemy forces are still holding out south of the Canea-Malemi road in Crete, but ruthless fighting is continuing. This resulted in the subduing of other groups of German paratroopers. The manner in which the defenders are dealing with the invaders is best gauged by the fact that the British and French, in the early days of the war, warned the Nazis that if any of their paratroopers were found fighting in allied uniforms or civilian clothes they would be treated as spies in other words shot out of hand.

Remembering the lesson of Rotterdam, Allied forces have been trained to be prepared to offer ferocious resistance to paratroopers. Furthermore, General Freyberg's World War record shows that he is not a man likely to ask or give the enemy any quarter if they are using the same tactics as employed at Rotterdam.

It is believed that the Crete attack may serve a triple purpose: firstly, to test the intention of eliminating the British stronghold, barring the way to Syria; secondly as a feint, the Nazis prepare a coup elsewhere; thirdly, a rehearsal for an invasion of Britain.

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Crete's Famous Ruins

The island of Crete, apart from its military strategical position, is chiefly noted for its famous Minoan remains, first discovered in 1876. The two pictures on this page illustrate some of the excavations. Below is a view of the palace of Knossos on the hill of Kephala, about four miles inland from Candia. The other picture shows the great staircase and hall of colonnades at Knossos. So far there are no reports of German invasion operations in this part of the island.



"Nauseating Rhapsodies On This Blood-Stained Crook"

—Questions On Rudolf Hess

LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—Mr Winston Churchill refused to be drawn out on the subject of Rudolf Hess when questioners bombarded him in the House of Commons to-day.

Major Vyvyan Adams asked if it had been established that Hess' visit was planned with the German Government's connivance.

The Prime Minister replied: "I am not yet in a position to make a statement on this subject and I am not at all sure when I shall be."

Major Adams then asked if the Government had actively in mind the possibility that the whole stunt may be a common garden plant; also whether they would discourage the press from renewing their "nauseating rhapsodies on this blood-stained crook" (Laughter and Cheers).

The Prime Minister: "It certainly does not feel that I ought to detract in any way from the vehemence of Major Adams' statement." (Laughter.)

Delicate Appetite

The Labour Member, Mr Robert Tylor, complained of the press descriptions of "this man's, very delicate appetite and the meagre taken to satisfy it" and added: "Our people believe that there are many people in concentration camps who had just as delicate appetites and they were not satisfied as in this case."

The Prime Minister: "Yes, certainly. But as far as I am at present advised, he is being treated as a prisoner of war and will receive treatment appropriate for a prisoner."

Dominican Dictator On Tour At Nassau

NASSAU, May 20 (Reuter).—The Dictator of the Dominican Republic, Rafael Trujillo, arrived here from New York to-day.

He is to meet the Governor, the Duke of Windsor, and the Duchess at Government House.

Mr Roosevelt Not Sending Any Special Message to Congress

WASHINGTON, May 20 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt does not anticipate sending any special message to Congress in the near future.

He announced this at his press conference to-day, thus disappointing upward of 100 journalists present.

They had jammed President Roosevelt's office for what was expected to be a momentous conference in anticipation of an indication from the President of a "big decision."

Sikorski's Hint

WASHINGTON, May 20 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt is expected to make a statement "of some gravity" to the nation this week. General Sikorski, who had just returned to England from the United States, said: "The

United States is about to take a decisive step."

Relief Appropriation

WASHINGTON, May 20 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt has asked Congress for an \$886,000,000 relief appropriation for the year beginning July 1.

This amount is \$109,000,000 below the estimates in the budget.

Shipping Rates

WASHINGTON, May 20 (Reuter).—The House of Representatives to-day passed and sent to the Senate a Bill giving the Maritime Commission persuasive authority to control shipping rates, cargoes and voyages in the interests of national defence.

Enemy Ships Sunk

Record Of A Week

LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).

—In widespread attacks on enemy shipping during the week ending May 19, units of the British Navy and the R.A.F. have sunk at least eight supply ships totalling 40,500 tons.

In addition, during a highly successful attack by the Fleet Air Arm on an enemy convoy in the Mediterranean, a merchant ship of 8,000 tons blew up with a violent explosion.

An enemy destroyer was hit and clouds of smoke were seen pouring from it.

Mr Menzies' Return

MELBOURNE, May 20 (Reuter).—The Federal War Cabinet has cleared up the outstanding business in preparation for the return of the Prime Minister, Mr R. G. Menzies, from North America at the week-end.

Mr Menzies will broadcast a message to the nation immediately on arrival.

Mr A. W. Fadden, the Acting Prime Minister, will hand over to Mr Menzies officially on May 21.

German Experts Said to Have Taken Over Syrian Railways

Special to the "Telegraph"

BUDAPEST, May 20 (UP).—An Ankara dispatch to the semi-official news agency, quoted by the Turkish morning newspapers, declares that German experts have "taken over" the Syrian railways, establishing large stores at certain junctions.

Not Through Turkey
CAIRO, May 20 (Reuter).—War material sent from Syria to Iraq has not gone through Turkish territory, according to a usually reliable source here.

This source reveals that the war material was sent by rail to Aleppo, where it was unloaded and transferred to a fleet of Iraqi lorries, which conveyed the material by road to Mosul.

Aleppo Airport Occupied
LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—Aleppo airport in Syria has been occupied by German forces.

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Revised Schedule

For Nitta Maru on Orient-California Service

A revised schedule for the N.Y.K. liner, Nitta Maru which is on the Orient-California service, has just been announced by the Hongkong Office of the Company.

Passengers on the Nitta Maru leaving Hongkong to-day will now arrive at Honolulu and San Francisco a day ahead of the present scheduled date, and first and second class passengers may now stay overnight at Honolulu for night-seeing there, provided they have the necessary "transit visa."

The Nitta Maru is expected to arrive in Honolulu on June 5 instead of June 6, and San Francisco on June 11 instead of June 12.

Weddings

The following weddings took place at the Registry yesterday before Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith, Registrar: Captain Arthur Hall, master mariner, and Miss Helen Yuen, of 3 Ping Street.

Mr. Jung Kee-tung, merchant, and Miss Chung Choi-ping, of 50 Lockhart Road.

The forthcoming wedding is announced of Mr. George Chong Wing-poon, mercantile assistant, and Miss Catherine May Lee, secretary, of 116 Electric Road.

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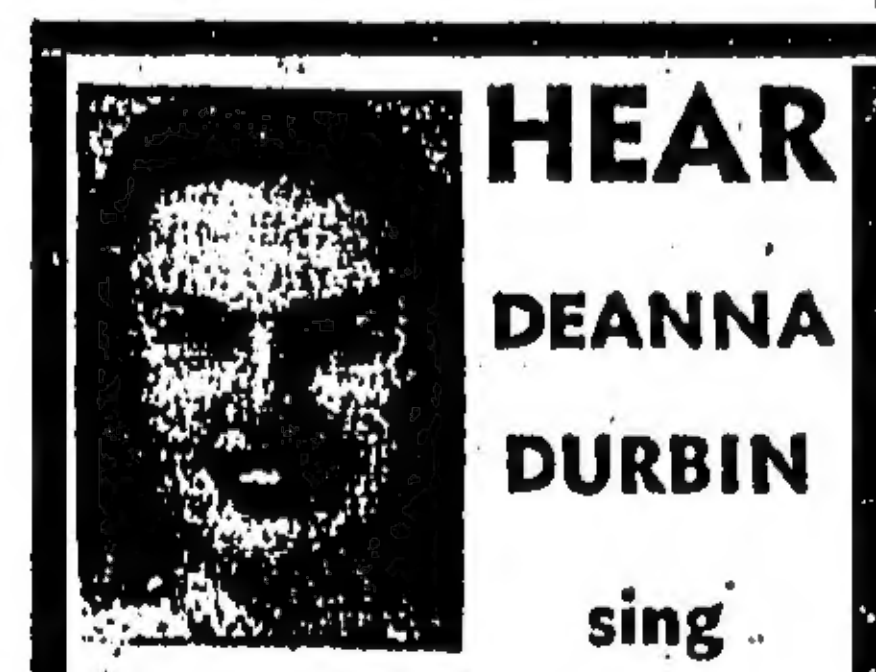
SATURDAY, MAY 24th
at 3 p.m.

The Band of the 1st Bn. The Middlesex Regt. (D.C.O.) by kind permission of Lt.-Col. H. W. M. Stewart, O.B.E., M.C. and Officers will play during the afternoon.

Conductor: Mr. W. E. Kifford, Bandmaster.

Programme

- 3.00—JUMPING COMPETITION
 - (a) China Ponies.
 - (b) Australian Ponies.
- 4.00—ALARM RACE.
- 4.30—MUSICAL CHAIRS
- 5.00—V. C. RACE ON MULES (for all ranks).
- 5.30—POLO MATCH (The "Diehard" Trophy).
- 6.30—COCKTAIL CABARET.



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The Inspector, 82 Stone Nullah Lane, 2nd Floor, The Inspector, 12 Sai Yung Choi St., Kowloon.

The Inspector, 52, Argyle St., Kowloon.

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NOTICE

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Broadcast by ZBW on a Frequency of 845 k.c.s. and on Short Wave from 1-2.15 p.m. and 8-11 p.m. on 9.52 m.c.s. per second.

12.15 p.m. Short Service of Intercession.

12.30 "Fats" Waller and His Rhythm.

12.50 The Carlyle Cousins (Vocal).
1.00 Local Time Signal.
1.01 Compositions of Albaniz and Granados.

1.30 Router and Rugby Press and Announcements.

1.45 Excerpts from Gilbert and Sullivan's "Patience."

Overture...Symphony Orchestra, conducted by Malcolm Sargent; Twenty Love-sick Madmen We...Nellie Briardcliffe, Rita Mackay and Chorus of Girls; Still Brooding On Their Mad Infatuation; I Cannot Tell What This Love May Be...Winifred Lawson, Nellie Briardcliffe, M. Eyre and Chorus of Girls; The Soldiers of Our Queen; If You Want a Receipt for That Popular Mystery...Darrell Fancourt and Chorus of Dragons; Am I Alone, and Unobserved? If You're Anxious For to Shine...George Baker (Baritone) with Orchestra; Long Years Ago...Winifred Lawson and Nellie Briardcliffe with Orchestra; Let the Merry Cymbals Sound...Derek Oldham, Darrell Fancourt, M. Green, and George Baker with Chorus of Girls and Dragons.

2.15 Close Down.

5.45 Indian Programme.

6.30 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.32 The Hill Billes and the Lecoma Cuban Boys.

7.00 London Relay—The News.

7.15 London Relay—"Questions of the Hour."

7.30 Selections from Light Opera. A Country Girl—Selection (Monckton)...London Theatre Orchestra; Les Cloches de Corneville—Vocal Gems (Planquette)...Columbia Light Opera Company with Orchestra; L'Ilac—Time Selection (Schubert)...Bert and Clara...Harry Davidson (Organ); "H.M.S. Pinafore"—Selection (Sullivan)...The Band of H. M. Coldstream Guards.

8.00 Local Time-Signal and Announcements.

8.02 List—Dante Sonata.

8.18 "Cello Solos by Beatrice Harrison."

8.30 Studio—"Some British Poets" No. 1 Gray.

Talk by Father T. Ryan, S.J.

8.50 Eric Coates—Summer Days Suite.

9.00 London Relay—The News and News Commentary.

9.15 Compositions of Johann Strauss.

The Gipsy Baron—Overture...The Symphony Orchestra; Village Swallows from Austria—Waltz; Marek Weber and His Orchestra; The Singer's Joy—French Polka...Symphony Orchestra; Wine, Women and Song...Mavis Bennett (Soprano) with Orchestra; Artist's Life—Waltz; Marek Weber and His Orchestra; Thunder and Lightning—Polka...Boston Promenade Orchestra.

9.45-10.00 News in French (on Short Wave Only).

9.45 Humorous Variety.

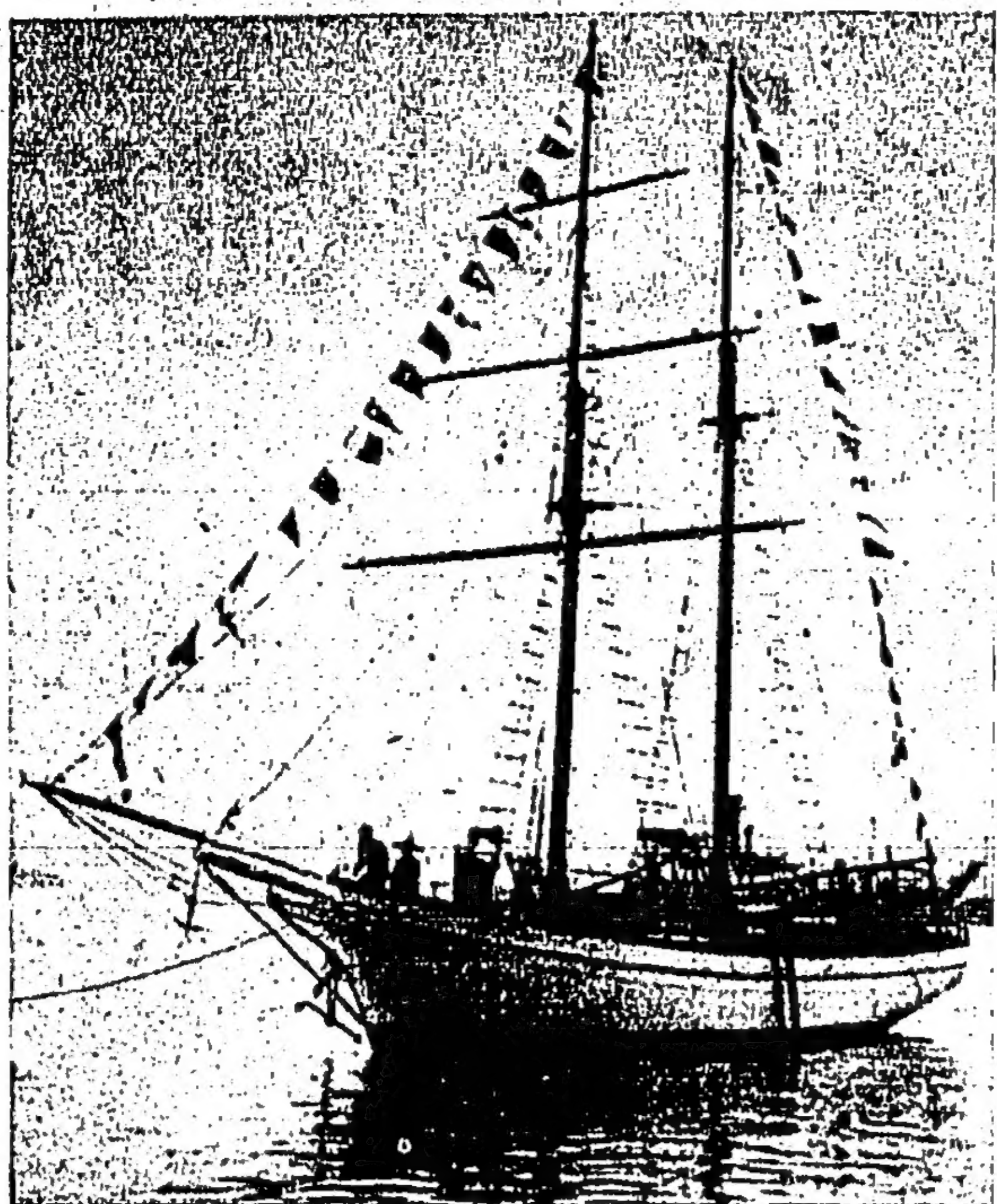
Vocal Duets—Tricky Little Tune (McGill); A More or Less Volga Boat Song (McGill)...Major and Minor with Orchestra; Comedy Sketch—Sandy the Detective (Powell-Thomson)...Sandy Powell and Company; Vocal—They're Always Together (Crumit and others)...Frank Crumit with Orchestra.

10.00 French Variety.

10.30 Dance Music.

11.00 Close Down.

TO CIRCLE THE GLOBE



The 55-ton luxury brigantine, Nuestra Señora de la Paz (Our Lady of Peace), which was launched at the Wing On Shing shipyard on Monday. The vessel will be taken on a round-the-world cruise by Lt-Col Juan Calvo and Lt-Col A. Arnaz of the Philippines. The lower picture shows those who attended the launching. Lt-Col Calvo is seen in centre, with Miss Virginia Hildebrando, who performed the ceremony, on his left (Photos: Mayfair Studio).



Women Riot Against Nightsoil Monopoly

Using umbrellas, wooden clogs and hairpins, a gang of about 50 women nightsoil workers attacked a Police Emergency Unit led by Superintendent W. P. Thompson, Assistant Superintendent E. C. Luscombe and Inspector J. R. McWalter in the Post Office Building yesterday.

As a result an Indian Policeman had his hand badly bitten near the wrist and other members of the Force were slightly injured, including Mr. Luscombe, who was bitten in the arm.

After a scuffle which lasted nearly 10 minutes 47 women were arrested and taken to Central Police Station where they were detained.

Some were released during the night.

The disorder began during the meeting of the Urban Council which started at 4.15 p.m., one item on the agenda being the question of nightsoil charges. Shortly before 4 p.m. about 500 women surrounded the Post Office Building and the Police Emergency Unit had to be called out to maintain order.

While the meeting was in progress about 50 to 60 women entered the building by the rear staircase and waited for Hon. Mr. W. J. Carrle, Chairman of the Urban Council, who was presiding at the meeting, outside his office. On his return after the meeting about 5 p.m. Mr. Carrle inquired what they wanted and told them there was nothing he could do for them. However, five women who claimed to be representatives of the gathering were granted an interview.

Mr. Carrle told the Morning Post that the delegates did not ask for employment for the demonstrators; in fact, they said they did not want to be employed by Government as the pay was too low, but what they wanted was that the Urban Council should revert to the old system of allowing the nightsoil to be removed by individual contractors under the Guild as in the past.

Mr. Carrle said the women were mostly the heads of family concerns formerly engaged in nightsoil removal. He said they exploited child labour and underpaid their folk to such an extent that they were able to command quite a good income by doing hardly any work at all. Many of the women formerly employed by these contractors were so physically incapable of carrying buckets to the boats that they frequently resorted to dumping them on the roadside.

"I can give you the numbers of Police Court cases to prove that," Mr. Carrle concluded.

Warning by Police

Even after the delegates had left Mr. Carrle's office the women on the staircase outside refused to move despite an appeal by the delegates. The police then gave them half an hour to leave with a warning that they would be arrested if they did not move within that time.

The Police waited 40 minutes before again requesting the women to leave. Some moved away, but the

NEW JAPANESE PORT

Elaborate Ceremonies At Koikin Opening

Tokyo, May 20.

The 62-year-old dream came true to-day when Port Koikin, combining the ports of Tokyo and Yokohama to supply a new gateway to Japan, was officially opened with elaborate ceremonies.

The first ship steaming into the port at 9 a.m. was the Myoken Maru, 5,000 tons, of the East Asia Marine Transport Company, which is on the Shanghai-Tokyo run. The ship was greeted by cheers and whistles from 42 fully-decked vessels anchored within the port.

Marking the day's celebration, Mayor Okubo of Tokyo gave a public address at a rally at the Hibuya Public Hall with high Government officials attending.

Supplementary Votes Before Council

Supplementary estimates for 1940-41 totalling \$102,727 and estimates for 1941-42 totalling \$488,612, are to go before the Finance Committee of the Legislative Council to-morrow afternoon. Among larger votes are \$90,000 under the Medical Defence Scheme, and \$151,500 towards the Wo Hop Shek Cemetery.

The memoranda explaining the items are as follows:

Estimates, 1940-41

His Excellency the Governor, Personal Emoluments \$6,280. The amount provided in the Estimates and by supplementary vote has proved insufficient to cover expenditure up to the end of the financial year.

Mansard Reports \$10. The amount provided has proved insufficient. Audit Department, Share of Home Expenditure \$765. The amount provided has proved insufficient to cover this Colony's share of the expenses of the Home Establishment, Colonial Audit Department.

Volunteer Defence Corps, Special Expenditure: Mobilization Stores \$537. Owing to variations in prices, amounts provided have proved insufficient.

Air Raid Precautions. Fire Appliances \$63,200. The sum of \$141,000 provided in the 1940-41 Estimates was intended to cover the cost of completing a programme which was begun in 1939 for the provision of sufficient fire appliances to meet an emergency. For this purpose \$220,000 was provided in the financial year 1939 but owing to delay in filling the orders placed through the Crown Agents the sum of \$162,481.37 lapsed at the end of 1939. Most of the appliances ordered have now been obtained and a re-vote representing the balance of the amount which lapsed at the end of 1939, is requested.

Trade School Darkroom

Education Department, Blinds \$85. It is desired to provide blinds for darkening one room at the Trade School in order to show educational and propagandist films and to enable the school's epidiascope to be used in the daytime.

Magistracy, Kowloon, Personal Emoluments \$60. Owing to the necessity of appointing a magistrate to act for Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen during the latter's illness.

Kowloon Canton Railway, One Lathe \$10,294. In order to expedite the manufacture of stirrup pumps at the K.C.R. workshops it was considered necessary to purchase and install one new 17" lathe at a total cost of \$10,293.80. This machine will of course form a useful addition to the equipment of the workshop for use in normal times.

Railway Foot-bridge

Narrowing of foot-bridge over Shum Chun River at Lower \$347. The railway bridge at Lower was dismantled by the Military Authorities as a defence precaution at the beginning of the war but in order to facilitate the movement of persons and produce between Chinese and British Territory a suitable foot-bridge, eight feet in width, was constructed by the Railway Department in January, 1940, at a cost of \$1,887. This foot-bridge was subsequently, as a defence measure, narrowed to less than eight feet and it has been agreed that this additional expenditure should also be met from Government funds.

Medical Department, Bedding and Clothing \$1,600. Owing to the increase in the cost of materials obtained from the Crown Agents.

Relief of Overcrowding of Chinese Hospitals \$4,500. The increased expenditure under this subhead is due to the increase of prices for food and stores and the opening of an additional relief hospital in B Block of the former Government Civil Hospital building.

Chemical Laboratory, Fuel and Light \$3. The amount provided has proved insufficient.

Preventive Measures against Infectious Diseases \$1,130. It was found necessary to re-open the Lai Chi Kok Cholera Hospital in March, 1941, and to provide medicines and other stores for use in that hospital.

Immigration Inquiry

Immigration Department Commission of Inquiry \$108. A supplementary vote is requested to cover expenditure incurred by the Immigration Department Commission of Inquiry on advertisements.

Losses of Cash \$100. One forged \$100 note was found among the cash held by the Immigration Department in January, 1941. Inquiries have failed to reveal which officer was responsible for accepting the note and the loss was written off by authority of His Excellency the Governor.

Public Works Department, Seven 2½-ton tipping Lorries \$7,394. Owing to the general increase in prices and freight charges the amount provided in the Estimates has proved insufficient.

One light lorry \$2,293. Owing to the general increase in prices and freight charges \$3,780. Owing to increase in prices and freight charges.

Stores Department, Telegrams \$150. Owing to increased number of telegrams on matters of emergency.

Total of all votes \$102,727.

Estimates, 1941-42

Botanical and Forestry, Extraction of Timber \$40,000. The sum of \$35,000 was provided to meet the cost of labour and transport required for cutting certain pine plantations in the New Territories in order to increase the stocks of firewood in the Colony. Only \$9,100.10 was expended during the financial year, 1940-41, and the remainder of the vote lapsed. The amount of wood to be extracted is greater than was expected.

Transport and Subsistence of Lepers at Galman \$17,600. With the approval of the Governor in Council, 200 lepers from the Kennedy Town Leprosy Settlement have been recently sent to the Maryknoll Mission settlement at Galman (Ngai Mun) near Kowloon.

Grant to Boys' and Girls' Club Association \$1,200. It is desired to make a grant to the Boys' and Girls' Club Association to assist the work of that association in curbing juvenile crime.

Volunteer Defence Corps, Mobilization Stores \$1,037. A supplementary vote is requested to meet outstanding accounts.

H.K.N.V.F. Radio

Hongkong Naval Volunteer Force, Wireless Telegraphy Transmitter \$245. In November, 1940, a wireless telegraphy transmitter was built by the Signal Officer of the Hongkong Naval Volunteer Force and installed in H.M.S. Cornflower for training and communication purposes. It is now proposed to reimburse the officer concerned to the extent of \$245, which is the estimated value of the set and to take the set on charge as Government property.

Beckwith Fog Bell \$5,100. The sum of \$5,100 was provided for the acquisition of quarters for watchmen at Lam Tong Island to prevent the new Beckwith Fog Bell from being stolen. This sum was not expended during the financial year ending March 31, 1941.

New Launch, Police No. 9 (Replacement) \$13,400. Four instalments totalling \$53,000 were paid to the builders during the financial year 1940-41 leaving a balance of \$13,400 to be met in 1941-42.

Two New Police Motor Boats \$22,250. One instalment of \$11,125 was paid to the builders during the last financial year leaving a balance of \$22,250 still to be met.

Air Services, Fencing \$1,435. A tender for a suitable fence costing \$4,708.03 was accepted for Kai Tai, but only \$3,273.98 of the sum provided was paid to the contractor, leaving a balance still to be met.

Kowloon Canton Railway, Re-railing of 0.4 miles of Main Line \$12,000. Owing to non-arrival of rails and fittings from England the work could not be undertaken and the vote lapsed at the end of the financial year. The Crown Agents are stated to be unable to supply these rails and arrangements have been made to purchase them locally.

Medical Defence Scheme

Medical Defence Scheme \$90,000. It was not possible during the financial year 1940-41 to complete the purchase of stores and equipment required in the event of an emergency. Outstanding stores, the cost of which was earmarked out of 1940-41 funds, are now being received but as the 1940-41 vote lapsed on March 31, 1941, and as funds provided in this year's Estimates have already been earmarked against other approved commitments, a re-vote of lapsing funds is required immediately.

Refrigerator for Port Health Office \$628. The refrigerator used for the storage of vaccines in the Port Health Office is out of order and cannot be repaired.

Transport of Printing Machinery \$9,374. An account for \$9,373.02 has been received in respect of the cost of removal of and minor repairs to the printing machinery transferred from Stanley Prison to Messrs. Noronha and Co., Ltd. in accordance with the agreement reached between Government and that firm.

Broadcasting, Alterations to Studios and Offices \$4,680. Broadcasts in Portuguese and Hindustani have recently been added to the broadcasting services and further additions are contemplated. This expansion has necessitated the renting of additional accommodation besides the use of a re-arrangement of the studios and offices is necessary in order to facilitate the operation of the broadcasting services and to provide storage space for gramophone records.

Prisons Department, Camera \$520. Photographic plates of the kind used in the Prison cameras are now obtainable locally and are supplied ordered from the Crown Agents has not been received. Owing to the necessity of taking every prisoner's photograph as required by Prison Rules it is desired to purchase a camera capable of using roll film.

Government Sand Depot

Sand Depot at Central Government Stores \$25,777. Owing to the increased price of cement and to the necessity of isolating the sand area from the Central Store proper by means of a boundary wall with gates, the total cost is now estimated at \$66,218 of which \$30,037 has already been expended during the financial year 1940-41.

Government Slipway Yau-nai-Reconstruction of Pier \$2,000. A further sum is required to meet the higher cost of cement and to cover expenditure on additional work which was found necessary when the old pier was stripped.

Wo Hop Shek Cemetery, near Fanling \$151,500. In order to cover the cost of completing the scheme during the current year, a re-vote of \$151,500 is requested.

Alterations to Four Godowns for use as an Immigration Depot \$2,000. Required 'this year to complete the work.

Immigration Office at Tai-po \$400. Sufficient to complete the work.

Road Re-alignment

Castle Peak Road—Re-alignment near Tsun Wan \$10,440. In order that the work may be completed.

Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps Camp at Fanling \$1,074. To provide for completion of the work this year.

Installation of new X-ray machine at Kowloon Hospital \$250. To complete the work.

Manure Bins at Kennedy Town Cattle Depot \$7,004. Owing to the increased cost of cement.

Resumption of Inland Lot No. 1135 \$35,000. As a result of a landslide which occurred last year at the rear of Inland Lot No. 1135 in New Street, the Governor in Council decided that this lot should be restored, as the property on it was considered to be a danger to the public.

Fog Control, Department, Telegrams \$1,000.

Total of all votes \$488,612.

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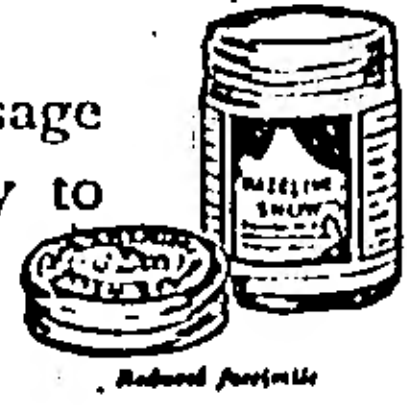


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PETAIN'S FRANCE

MARSHAL Petain, head of the conquered Third French Republic, occupies perhaps the most unfortunate post in the world to-day. His position is also unique. Called from an honoured retirement to patch up difficult relations between France and Spain he was virile enough though an octogenarian, to assume control of the country when it was beaten, disillusioned and in despair. The free world hoped that the simple honourable sentiments of a soldier would shine through and dispel the clouds of treachery; that France would be content, even if she could no longer struggle in France, to suffer her intolerable burden until the victory of her friends released her and to withhold as far as possible, assistance to the enemy.

There has lately been a move induced perhaps by Petain's misguided belief that Britain may not win the war, to collaborate willingly with Germany. This is a defeatism that acknowledges indefinite subjection to the German yoke. The object of Petain's new course is, he avers, to save as much of the French Empire as possible. By following a path of dishonour he hopes to keep at France's side her overseas possessions and arms by giving them a German promise of immunity.

Even if this act is designed to save the French further suffering it cannot be sanctioned by us on any ground. French sufferings, great as they are, are less than those of Britain. She is suffering reduced rations and humiliation but little more. Now she proposes to sell her birthright for a mess of pottage. Petain cannot possibly believe that the Empire will eventually emerge from the struggle in its old glory, complete and faithful. Therefore he is selling his people into industrial and cultural serfdom for a price that is ridiculously low: a reduction in the payments to the army of occupation, the release to their families and work of a million French soldiers, the re-occupation of part of occupied France, and a promise of Empire for the future.

This ignoble bargain will not captivate the admiration of any

UNITED STATES WILL DEFEND THE PHILIPPINES

Defence of the Philip-transport in case of hostile pines, despite points of both naval action in Philippine strength and weakness, is waters; clearly emerging as a tenet 5. Lack of agricultural of American policy in the self-sufficiency, and of even Far East, the Far Eastern the semblance of industrial Survey has found.

Miss Catherin Porter, re- search expert for the In- stitute of Pacific Relations, has reported on "Prepared- ness in the Philippines" for the survey, and cited official and unofficial evidence of increasingly comprehensive defensive measures for the protection of America's Far Eastern outpost.

The report does not give an opinion as to whether or not the Philippines are strategically dependable, but does disclose that numerous steps have been taken in re- cent months to endow the Islands with increased de- activity among Spaniards. fensive power in the air, on the ground, and in the activities is generally minimised for the time be-

The relationship between Philippine defence and Philippine Independence is only hinted at, but it is suggested that Corregador, the great fortress guarding the entrance into Manila Bay, may be far too expensive for the Filipinos to maintain by themselves, after Independence comes in 1946.

Minorities

The alien minorities, including both Japanese and Spanish, have thus far not constituted a problem to defence efforts, but they might become one, the research expert indicated.

Special emphasis is placed on Miss Porter's observation that the Filipinos themselves have risen to the occasion and are wholeheartedly pledged to the cause of defence of democracy.

"The morale and attitude of the rank and file of the Filipinos themselves have been above question," the writer said.

The report quoted extensively from an editorial in a chain of Filipino newspapers defining the Filipino stake in the world conflict, concluding that "the cause of Britain, the cause of Free France, the cause of the Chinese people, and the cause of the United States, is our cause."

"Their cause is our cause, because in the large principles of democracy for which they are fighting are involved the principles of liberty and equality which apply particularly to our case as a subject people moving towards independence."

Weaknesses

Miss Porter listed weaknesses in Philippine defence as:

1. Lack of sufficient arms and ammunition for Philippine reserves;
2. Lack of adequate air defences;
3. Concentration of fortifications and forces on the Island of Luzon;
4. Difficulties of inter-island communication and

Frenchmen of spirit, and though Britain has little inclination to disintegrate further that unhappy people she will broadcast everywhere the honourable alternative to this betrayal: support for General de Gaulle's Free French Forces on land, sea and in the air.

people would be important for Japanese manufactured goods. But it would be unlikely that Japan would seek to conquer these markets by costly military means, especially at a time when the easier path of friendly trade and peaceful penetration was opening more widely. The gradual closing of the United States free market to large Philippine exports seemed logically to promise closer economic co-operation between Japan and the Philippines after 1946. In the interim, business as usual would be sufficiently attractive to both.

"Even after the China incident began in the summer of 1937, it was still believed that Japan had her hands full on the

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By Julius C. Edelstein

United Press Staff Correspondent

Moreover, a market of 17 million mainland of Asia and that the Soviet Union and China would offer sufficient diversion, to ensure Japan's southward drive's continuing along friendly commercial lines.

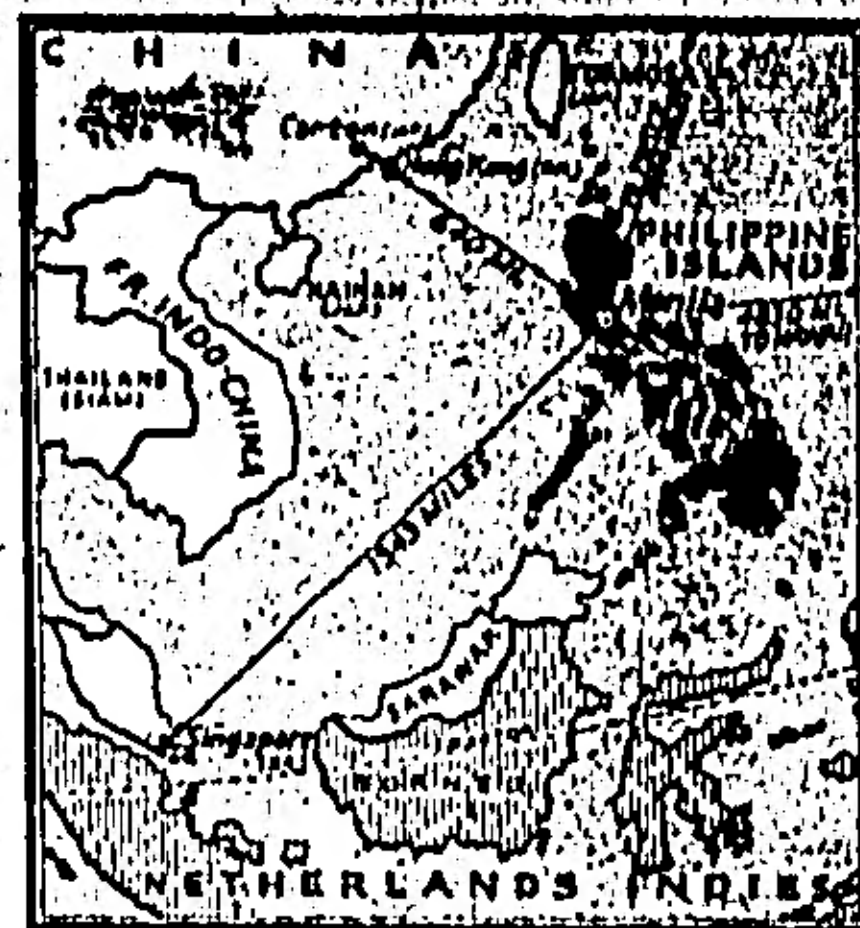
"Events of the last few years, however, have completely altered the picture. Japan's adherence to the Rome-Berlin Axis, the merging of the European and Far Eastern wars into one great conflict, the stiffening of the democratic front throughout the Far East—all of these things have resulted in bringing the Philippines into the camp of the powers opposing the spread of aggression and the establishment of 'new orders.'"

"No longer is it a question whether the United States will fight to defend the Philippines. If war spreads in the Pacific and if the United States is involved, the Philippines will also be involved automatically. In that case, the issue will be defined in terms which are familiar on both sides of the world, which include many peoples and many diverse forms of government under the banner of democracy."

"To supplement the naval defence of the United States in the Islands, the Philippine Commonwealth has little to offer. (The new government, starting from scratch, has had a little over five years to organise and get under way its modest programme for national defence in preparation for 1946.) The European war has directly affected the Islands' preparations, for English shipyards were to furnish Q-boats for the naval branch of the Philippine Army. Only two have been delivered of the 36 which were to comprise the off-shore patrol service."

Mosquito Boats

Since England is out of the picture as a source of further equipment of this type, the Commonwealth Government is now considering the possibility of building its own mosquito boats, one of which is under construction. Philippine materials can



be used; only the engine, it is said, will have to be imported. When one considers the 7,000 islands of the Philippine archipelago, the many bays, channels and seas that surround and separate the islands, it is apparent that a small fleet of mosquito boats, without the aid of larger equipment, would be hard pressed to cripple major naval units.

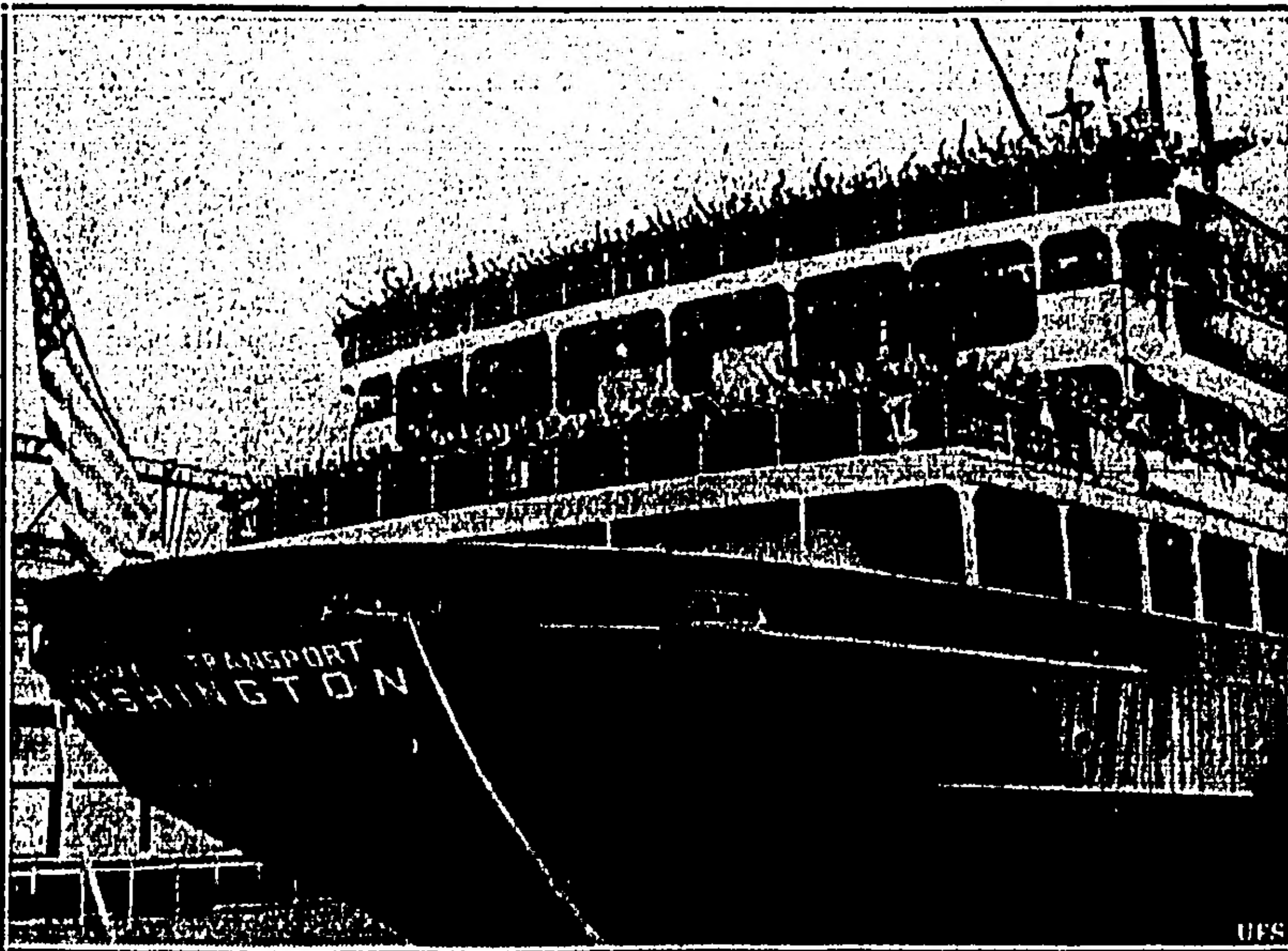
"If it were possible for an enemy to land troops at some point on Lingayen Gulf to the north, or on Lamun Bay on the eastern coast of Luzon, they would then have to meet the difficulties of unfamiliar terrain, swamps and poor roads, and would be faced with the armed forces of the Islands. Close co-operation between the United States and the Philippine Armies has been particularly noted of late, no important decision being made by the latter without the approval of the Commander of the Philippine Department of the United States Army."

The numerical strength of the United States Army in the Philippines was probably about 10,000 men; 4,000 of them are American troops, the remainder Philippine Scouts in the pay of the United States Government. Arrivals in the last few months of officers and enlisted men from the United States have increased the number. On February 2, of this year, the United States Army announced that it would take into its service in the Philippines more reservists for a year of additional training in the Philippine Scouts.

Guerillas

"These men, with the exception of the new recruits, are hardened troops, all presumably well-equipped, with years of training behind them. They are augmented by the regular Philippine Army, numbering today 466 officers and 3,665 enlisted men, plus some 4,000 in the constabulary. The reserve force, with some 132,000 men organised into about 13 tactical divisions, is very poorly equipped, and the men have had only 5½ months of regular active training. Their familiarity with the territory and with guerilla tactics (Americans who had to face Filipino guerilla fighting in the first years of occupation testify to its effectiveness) partly outweighs some of the apparent deficiencies of the force."

"Obviously, the Commonwealth has only a skeleton defence force and one which could not, unaided, hold off a major attacking force for long. But small as the Commonwealth defence effort is in these days of astronomical figures, it may safely be assumed that the United States is making more ample provision for the island's protection in the present emergency than is commonly known."



TROOP FERRY—Harbour craft whistles shrieked good-bye as the former liner Washington, now an Army transport, left New York with more than 3,000 men aboard for Panama, Hawaii and the Philippines. This was the largest contingent of soldiers to leave the Brooklyn Army base since the last World War.

New Police Chief Is Welcomed

A tea party was given to Hon. Mr. J. P. Pennefather-Evans, Commissioner of Police, by the Indian Company, of the Police Reserve, at the Hongkong Hotel, roof garden, yesterday.

Among those present were Mr. C. G. Perdue, (Deputy Commissioner), Mr. Abbas Khan, (Hon. Commissioner, Police Reserve), Mr. Feroz Ali, (Assistant Superintendent, Indian Company), Hon. Mr. A. B. Purves, Hon. Mr. W. J. Carrie, Mr. O. Eager, (Deputy Commissioner, Police Reserve), Mr. A. el Arculli, Dr. H. L. Arculli, Mr. Justice P. E. F. Cressall, Professor L. Foster, Cmdr. H. J. Horwell, Lt.-Col. G. R. Kidd, Lt.-Col. S. Shaw, Major J. L. Willcocks, Major W. de B. Wood, Major W. T. Temple, Major H. L. Duncan, Capt. H. B. D. Bartman, Capt. J. L. Flynn, Messrs P. J. F. Hamilton, H. G. Sheldon, G. T. Lowry, Q. A. A. Macfadyen, H. Rutledge, D. J. Rutledge, K. L. Vaidyan.

Mr. Abbas Khan said: It is my privilege to extend this welcome and to assure our new Commissioner of our loyalty and support. Mr. Pennefather-Evans comes to us with the reputation of having accomplished years of splendid work in Malaya, and we all wish him every success in Hongkong.

Interest in Reserve Mr. Pennefather-Evans has already evinced keen and sympathetic interest in the work of the Police Reserve, and there is every reason to feel confident that under his guidance, the unit will continue to grow and improve.

I also feel this occasion is opportune to express to Mr. Perdue our deep appreciation for his kindly interest, unfailing sympathy, and fatherly care for the Indian Company during the many years he has been associated with the Colony's police force. Mr. Perdue was especially helpful to us while acting Commissioner.

Mr. Khan also paid tribute to Mr. Eager and said the Indian Company felt a debt of gratitude to him as he has been instrumental in the increase of the unit's strength to 1,500. Mr. Khan also referred to Mr. Tso Tsun-on's work in looking after the general interests of the Company.

Mr. Khan said that Mr. J. H. Rutledge, who had given unstintingly his financial and moral support, and Dr. Arculli, who was the Honorary Medical Officer to the Company, had earned the deepest appreciation of the Indian Company.

Pride in Indians "With the mother country and her Empire, including Hongkong, engaged in a life and death struggle with the forces of totalitarian evil, it is with pardonable pride, that the Indian reservists have read and heard about the feats of the Indian troops," he said. "The high praise for their achievements and their soldierly qualities adds a further glorious page to their records."

"The Indian Company, like their brothers fighting in the deserts, yield to none in their loyalty to the King Emperor, and are ready to sacrifice their lives and property until final victory is won for the cause of lasting peace and justice."

Mr. D. H. Rutledge said that as a community the Indians were proud that so many of their kin were serving in the Colony's Police Reserve and referred to the yeoman service the Indian Reserve rendered in the last war.

Mr. Pennefather-Evans said: Before this war our enemies declared three things—that the youth of Britain was degenerate, that the Dominions would not help the Empire in war and that the Indian Army would not fight.

The R.A.F. has shown that the youth is in no way degenerate, the Australians, New Zealanders and other Empire troops have shown that the Empire was ready to go to the help of the Mother Country as soon as she was at war, and the glorious Indian army has shown that Indian regiments are to-day no whit inferior to their forefathers.

I heartily endorse all Mr. Khan said about the magnificent way in which Indian troops in the Near East have added undying fame to the laurels of the Indian army.

Gift from Mr. Abbas Khan It may not be known to many of you that I have recently had the very great pleasure of transmitting to the Colonial Secretary a cheque for \$1,000 from your Honorary Commissioner, Mr. Abbas Khan, to be divided in equal portions of \$500 each between the Bomber Fund, the British Red Cross and the Lord Mayor's Fund to help the destitute by air raids. I know you will agree with me that Mr. Khan's gift is a most generous one.

It may interest you to know that I was sent to Hongkong in 1936 by the Inspector General of Police in Singapore to learn about the Police Reserve here and it was on my report of the success of the Police Reserve that it was decided to raise a Police Reserve in Singapore, which is now a very valuable body of auxiliary police.

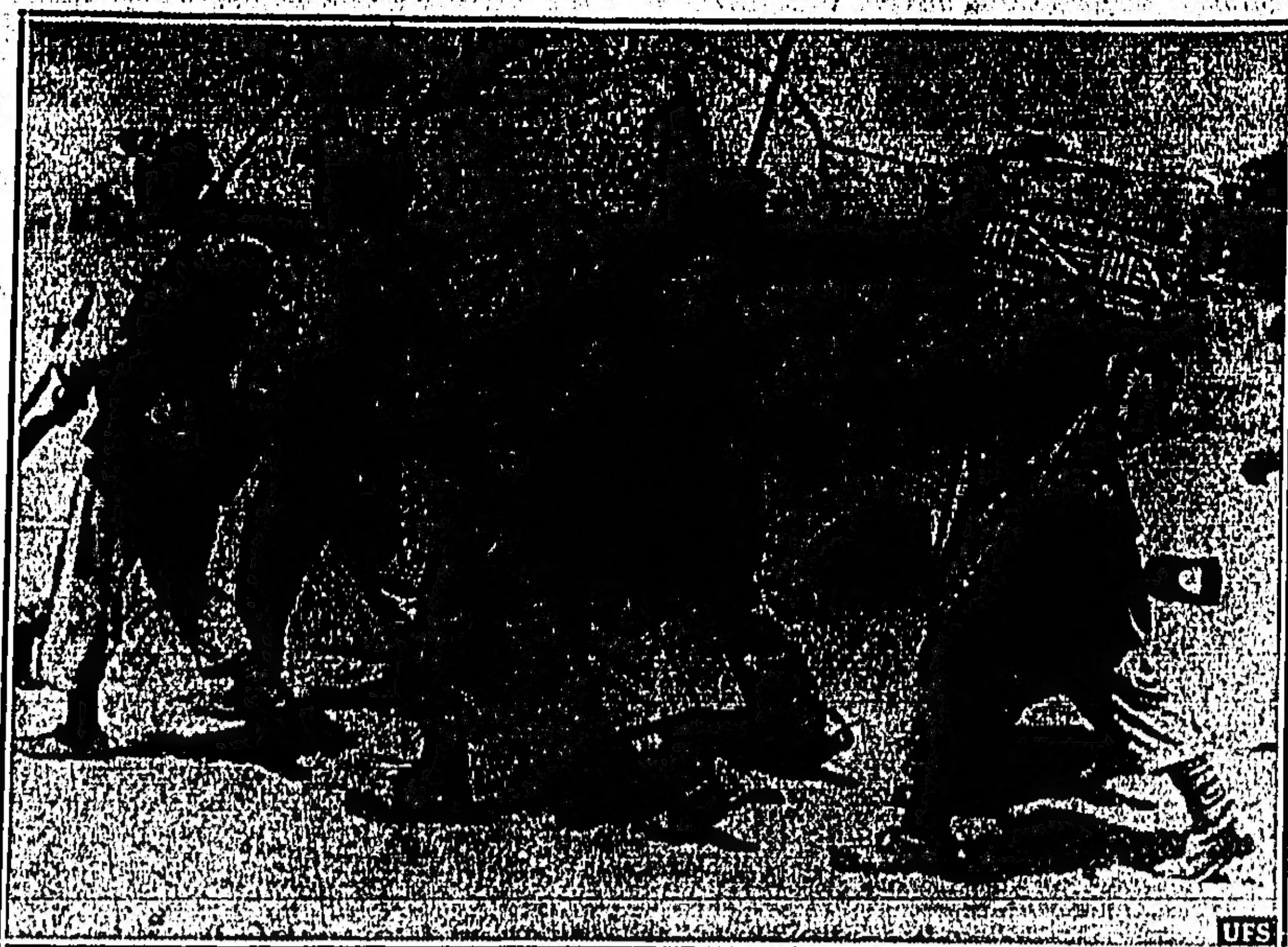
Mr. Pennefather-Evans followed his speech with a short address in Hindustani.

Freight Rates Again Up

On Shipments to Straits And Calcutta

Effective as from yesterday, all freight rates to Calcutta, Madras, Bangalore, and the Straits were increased by 20 per cent, with transshipment rates increased by 25 per cent. This increase makes the present rates about 50 per cent. above the pre-war rates.

Shipping companies stated that the main reasons for the increase were the rising cost of coal, higher running costs, and Government control, which required higher returns.



THEY TOOK IT ALONG—The Italians set up a stone marking the boundary of Kenya and Italian Somaliland. When the Italians were on the run, a company of British Royal West Africans came along and saw the stone. One of them thought it was something to take home, so he did, as above.

Franco Trains Youth To Be Party Tools

Spain's youth is in training to become a militant arm of the Falange—the Spanish equivalent of Nazis or Fascists—and play a star role in the "new order" through which Generalissimo Francisco Franco hopes to restore the nation's ancient glory, reports Associated Press.

By an official decree, General Franco has established the "Youth Front" to regiment and train the boys and girls of Spain from childhood until they reach the age to enter the

MIDWIVES DEFY BOMBS

Two midwives have been awarded the medal of the Civil Division of the Order of the British Empire for courage in attending women in childbirth during raids.

Mrs. Mary Farr, of Portsmouth, protected a mother-to-be with her own body while bombs were exploding near the house.

At one time the surrounding destruction was so great that it seemed the badly damaged house was about to collapse on nurse and patient. The baby was born during the raid.

The other midwife is Mrs. Evelyn Leaver, of Manchester. For more than 20 years she had abandoned her profession. Then, at the height of a heavy raid, came a call for a doctor and midwife. Neither could be reached, an appeal was made to Mrs. Leaver.

Though bombs were shaking the district, she answered the call without hesitation. Not far from the house where the patient was lying a gas main was blown.

In the house itself the hall and staircase had been wrecked and pipes fractured, so that water poured through the ceilings.

Mrs. Leaver got the patient to the cellar, where she attended her until a doctor arrived.

DOCKYARD Reassessing Wages Of Chargemen

London, Apr. 20. Sir Robert Gower, K.C.V.O., M.P., who is Chairman of the Dockyard Members' Parliamentary Committee, recently asked the First Lord of the Admiralty if he could give him any information with regard to the reassessing of the wages of Chargemen at Hongkong, and Mr. A. V. Alexander now writes to him as follows: "I enclose a copy of memorandum setting out the changes proposed by the Admiralty which has been communicated to the Chargemen's Association at Hongkong and to the Trade Union side of the Admiralty Industrial Council. The views of these two bodies will have to be obtained before the proposals can be put into effect and this will inevitably take some time."

DR. A. R. WELLINGTON

News has been received in Hongkong about a former Director of Medical Services, Dr. A. R. Wellington, C.M.G., who had been for some time in unoccupied France. Dr. Wellington not long ago returned to London, where he has obtained an appointment with the Ministry of Health.

FIANCE TOOK HER CLOTHES

A 21-year-old girl was found recently standing under a street light in a residential section of Washington. She told police her fiancé took her clothes when she refused to return the ring.

HAT-TRICK PILOT FREED

Winner of the R.A.F. Fighter Pilot cup in 1936, a South African flight lieutenant, who last October performed the "hat-trick" by shooting down three Italian planes in one day, has been released from captivity in Mogadishu, capital of Italian Somaliland, as a result of the British capture of the town.

He had been in hospital there for three months with a serious foot injury. He said that while he was engaged with Italian fighters over Baidia, Libya, on Dec. 29, an enemy machine came up from below, badly damaged his aircraft and wounded him in the foot.

He landed by parachute and was taken in an Italian plane to Mogadishu.

Foreign Minister Ramon Serrano Suner, head of the Falange and leading advocate of closer collaboration between Spain and the Axis powers, will play a dominant role in the Youth Front.

The boys are divided into four age groups, from 7 to 11 years, from 11 to 15, from 15 to 18, and from 18 to 21, the age of entry into the Army. Girls are organized into one section, from 7 to 17 years.

Decreed Functions Functions of the Youth Front, as listed by the decree, include political education, pre-military education for boys, initiation into home education for girls, and collaboration in cultural, moral, social and religious education and movements.

To carry on their work the Youth Front-affiliated organizations are to organize and direct camps, colonies, hostilities, and classes in which Falangist doctrines play a leading role, and to assist the Government in health, education and labour.

He told me Douglas missed the ship in England with 40 other sailors.

Despite inquiries from the Navy Board, Mrs. Elliott has not been able to learn additional details.

Doesn't Believe Son Killed

The Australian Navy Board has told Mrs. C. G. Elliott, of Belmont, that her son is missing and presumed killed, but she doesn't believe this. Her son is Ordinary Seaman Douglas Elliott, 19.

"I know my son is safe," Mrs. Elliott told a Sydney "Daily Telegraph" reporter. "The Navy Board's telegram is a terrible mistake."

Mr. George Elliott, another son, said that he met a shipmate of Douglas only the day before.

He told me Douglas missed the ship in England with 40 other sailors.

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Predicts War's End By Autumn of 1942

The autumn of 1942 will see the end of the War with a negotiated peace, according to Roger W. Babson, internationally famous statistician whose long range forecasts in the past have been almost uncanny in their accuracy.

Mr. Babson said that after the negotiated peace he believes there will immediately be a boom of the magnitude of the 1929 boom, lasting until about 1950.

Sacked Musicians Together Again

Sacked men of the Bournemouth Municipal Orchestra are running their own music festival.

Bournemouth—at the cost of 2d. a year per ratepayer—had the best municipal orchestra in Britain, but when war came it was cut from 65 players to 24.

The jobless players formed themselves into the Wessex Philharmonic Orchestra.

Recently, their townsfolk, deprived by the borough of their annual municipal music festival, were invited to show appreciation by the Wessex Philharmonic, opened by J. B. Priestley.

Malcolm Sargent conducted the first concert. Among the other conductors were Sir Adrian Boult, Leslie Howard and Basil Cameron.

SHORTAGE OF HAIRDRESSERS

The war has caused a severe shortage of hair-dressers, and men are now finding it difficult to obtain a "trim." A lot of barbers have gone into munition factories, and there are no youths coming into the trade to take their place.

FOOLING THE FRENCH

Hitler Gives His Word

ZURICH, May 19 (Reuter).—An official German communique regarding Franco-German negotiations is expected to-day, according to the Berlin correspondent of the "Bueser Nachrichten."

Berlin assures the German public that concessions made to Vichy will not cancel any of the essential parts of the armistice terms.

Path of Treason

LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—Henri Bernstein, eminent French dramatist, in a letter to the "New York Times" states, "When Marshal Petain orders the French people to follow him along the path of honour he is actually suggesting that they follow him down the road to treason."

"What he intends that our country should do is to place itself in complete dependence on its mortal enemy, Germany."

England has kept her promise to France. She has done more than that. In the hour of defeat, in the hour when we left her alone on the field of battle, she revealed herself to be a most generous friend. No word of reproach fell from the lips of her statesmen.

Late Mr Hon Kam-shing

Former Employee Of Government

The death occurred on Monday of an old resident and ex-Government servant, Mr. Hon Kam-shing. He was in the Hongkong Government service for over 30 years, during a greater part of which period he served in the Imports and Exports Department, and the Central Magistracy where he was best remembered. Before his retirement from Government service, or pension in 1932, Mr. Hon conceived the idea of a meeting place for Chinese civil servants for the promotion of their welfare both socially and intellectually, and became one of the founders of the Chinese Civil Service Club. A native of Fukien Province, he was instrumental in founding the Fuchien Chamber of Commerce. During the last 20 years of his life, he was actively connected with many forms of charitable work, especially the relief of the poor and refugees and provision of free schools for children from his province. Of a kindly disposition, the late Mr. Hon was well liked and respected by all who came in contact with him. He has left a large circle of friends.

Mr. Hon passed away peacefully at the age of 63 at his residence, No. 9, On Lan Street. He leaves six children. The eldest son, Mr. Hon Kam-lam, is Chinese Agent of the Delegation Steamship Co., Ltd, and the second son, Mr. Alfred Y. Hon, is a solicitor with the legal firm of Messrs P. H. Sin and Co. There are four daughters, Shau Fun, Shau Fong, Shau King and Shau Ching, the latter two of whom are with the Overseas Chinese Banking Corporation.

The funeral will take place tomorrow, at noon, and the procession will arrive at Wing Pit Ting, Pokfulam, about 1 p.m.

Surgeon Lieutenant-Commander John Widdicombe Oliver, R.N., killed in action in H.M.S. Bonaventure, was 33 years of age. He served two and a half years on the China Station in H.M.S. Falcon, Yangtze Flotilla.

Conscription For N. Ireland Nazi Bombing Reduces Nationalist Opposition

BELFAST, May 20 (Reuter).—Conscription is to be imposed in Northern Ireland and the Government's decision to implement it will be announced shortly by the Prime Minister, Mr. J. M. Andrews.

Northern Ireland was omitted from the Statute of the Conscription Act imposed in Britain in 1939 on account of the strong representation made to the Government by Mr. Eamon de Valera, who stated that if imposed, it would lead to strong opposition from the Nationalist minority in Northern Ireland.

Position Changed The position has changed since then with the bombing of Belfast, in which the homes of all Parties were bombed alike and assistance was given from Ulster by their fire and ambulance services.

It does not look, therefore, that there will be any great stirring of the minority public spirit in Northern Ireland when the decision is announced.

Dobbie Takes Charge Of Malta

LONDON, May 19 (Reuter).—Major-General Sir William George Shadden Dobbie, known as the modern "Gordon" owing to his religious fervour, has, the Colonial Office announced, been appointed Governor of Malta.

Sir William has been administering the Government of Malta since he assumed command of the troops in April 1940, with the exception of a short period in May 1940 immediately before General Sir Charles Bonham-Carter left the Colony.

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Seven people lost their lives, including Mrs. Doris Ponting, the proprietress.

Mr. W. L. McArthur, of Wansstead, one of the guests, was seen on the lawn at the back of the hotel, but he went back into the flames to try to save others. His body was found in a doorway.

The Heroine

Dr. Elizabeth Frances M. Clark, honorary divisional surgeon to the local St. John Brigade, who lived at the hotel, was the heroine of the fire. She was awakened by smoke, and the cracking of timbers. She grabbed her window, got air, then made her way along a passage to rouse the others.

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Around The Courses

Some New Ideas About Bunkers

Normal Lay-out Presents Greatest Difficulty for Duffers

Lost Ball in Penalty Ditch

(By "Birdie")

BLAST, BLAST, BLAST, in bunkers and out of them, and if nothing can assuage the pent up feelings of the golfer who has left his footprint, if not in the sands of time, then in most of the sand hazards of his course, let the words of Gene Sarazen and Paul Runyan soothe.

They are two of America's leading golfers and, therefore, should know something about what they are saying. There is the contention that golf courses to-day are too tough for the duffer and too easy for the professional. And it's all a matter of sand bunkers.

Runyan would remove them entirely, while Sarazen, not so drastic in mind, favours moving them to catch the poor shots for the better players rather than leave them to add to the mental distractions of the duffer.

"Traps," says Runyan, "when they are raked smooth aren't hazards to the professionals. Any pro in a trap beside a reasonably flat green expects to get down in two, at the most three. The high-scoring player may take that number to get out and probably as many more to go down."

Sarazen says that a flock of traps 150 yards from the tee will cause untold suffering among the average players, whereas the pros and top-notchers will probably not see them at all.

"Why," he argues, "not put the traps down the fairway where the better players' wild tee shots are likely to land, but where they will not bother the beginner who cannot drive that far?"

Though we may hold divided opinions about bunkering the greens, there is much to be said for the placing of the traps on the fairways. Cases in point, perhaps, are bunkers

on the 1st and 5th fairways at Kowloon and the 5th at the Country Club.

"Little Hongkong" is a sand-ringed hillock at the junction of the 1st and 5th fairways at Kowloon, but it offers little in the way of a hazard to the better players, but to the women and the slicing beginner only its comparatively small size prevents it from occupying the whole of their mental horizon.

The sand trap on the 5th at Sheungshui, too, is no hazard to the better players there, but it covers the whole of the approach for the women and beginners.

These, however, are features of the courses mentioned, and their removal would upset the balance—even if people wanted them taken away, which I doubt. But there must be many courses in the world where much stronger cases for the duffers could be made out.

WHAT is the penalty for a lost ball in a penalty ditch?

Rule 22 states: "(1) Except as provided for in Rule 27, if a ball be lost or be deemed by the player to be unplayable, the player shall play his next stroke as nearly as possible at the spot from which the ball which is lost or unplayable was played, adding a penalty stroke to the score for the hole.

If the stroke was played from the teeing-ground, a ball may be teed; if though the green or a hazard it shall be dropped, and if on the putting green it shall be placed.

Rule 27 reads: "If a ball lie or be lost in a recognized water hazard (whether the ball lie in water or not) or in casual water in a hazard, the player may drop a ball, under penalty of one stroke, either (a) behind the hazard, keeping the spot at which the ball crossed the margin of the hazard between himself and the hole, or (b) in the hazard, keeping the spot at which the ball entered the water between himself and the hole. If the ball was played from the teeing-ground a ball may be teed, under penalty of one stroke, as nearly as possible at the spot from which the original ball was played."

Now this penalty ditch had water in it, but not very deep, and as I read it, the penalties are two strokes—one for the ditch itself, and another for dropping another ball. Had the player chosen to tee up his ball in or behind the hazard, the penalty would have been increased to three strokes (one for the ditch and two for teeing up).

Local Baseball's Grand Opening On June 7

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL in the Colony will get under way with a bang on Saturday June 7, when His Excellency the Governor of Hongkong, it is hoped, will throw out the first ball to start the season in classic style.

At the general pep meeting last evening, Larry Lawrence was once again unanimously elected president for the coming campaign and all figures point toward a real banner season.

With entries slated to close on Friday May 30, seven ball-tossing teams have already entered, with the U.S.S. Mindanao and the mighty Tulsa tans making a two-man entry from the American ocean forces.

Change Over

THE MIGHTY "T" are expected to play in collaboration with the U.S.S. Asheville who will fill in for the terrific Tulsa team when they are away from the Colony.

Other teams already booked to join in the pennant chase and cash in with a try at the Bagram Shield are: Dhun Ruton's high-powered H.B. Brewers, Chung Hwa Maroons' all-Chinese nine, Flatbush—'hot potato's' Royal Engineers, the Hongkong Baseball Club and South China's Caroline Hillers.

With special permission from the military authorities, all games will be played at the green-pastured Chatham Road ball stadium in Kowloon, and a large gas-house grandstand is slated to be constructed before the gala march to the flag-pole.

The following were elected officers: President, Mr. B. Lawrence; Vice-President, "Doc" Molitor; Hon. Secretary, Mr. Roy Lau; Hon. Treasurer, Mr. H. A. Barros; Committee, Mr. J. Welford (Royal Engineers), Mr. P. K. Lau (Chung Hwa Maroons), Mr. W. W. Winglee (South China), Paymaster Usher (Tulsa), Mr. P. J. Tonniochy (Hongkong Beer), Lt. S. Goodman (Mindanao).

Max Baer Abed With Fractured Vertebra

SACRAMENTO—A cracked vertebra the fighter said he received in his recent meeting with Lou Nova has put Max Baer to bed.

Dr. Junius B. Harris, ordering indefinite confinement for the former heavyweight champion, said his condition might prove serious. The injury is at the base of Baer's neck.

Nova won the New York fight by an eighth-round technical knockout.

Wrestling Champion Defeated Twice

Tokyo, May 18. Grand Champion Futabayama, mightiest of sumo wrestling giants, whose defeat by the youngster Sakurabiki on May 16 caused a sensation, took the bitter pill of defeat again yesterday, this time from Ayanohori. At the conclusion of yesterday's matches, the West camp, captained by Futabayama, was leading the East team by five victories with 134 points.—Domei.

American P.G.A. Celebrates Twenty-fifth Birthday

LONDON, May 4 (Reuter)—Tempus Fugit! It is hard to realise that a quarter of a century has passed since the birth of the American Professional Golfers' Association. But it has, and news of their Silver Jubilee celebrations reminds one of that day in 1916, during another world war, when the Association was born in New York.

The intervening years have been marked by steady progress and, to-day, America's P.G.A. can claim to be of equal strength to the British P.G.A., which came into being 40 years ago.

It does not take a great deal of thought to perceive the value of such bodies. Apart from the organisation of tournaments, they aid their members in every way, from assistance given when hard times are encountered—the British P.G.A. Benevolent Fund has worked wonders in this respect—to legal advice on knotty problems.

Aid to Pros.

A TOURNAMENT run by a ruling body is always more official than one of those held for publicity purposes, and even the latter are watched over by the Association, which looks after the interests of the professionals.

It is obvious, therefore, that there would probably be far fewer tournaments were it not for the Association, and that would mean less prize money.

Golf, from the angle of a profes-

sional's earnings, depends to a large extent on prize-funds, the competitors rarely having an interest in the proceeds of "the gate" as in some sports.

In these days of non-competitive golf in Great Britain, the British Association remains in being, ready to carry on its good work when the war is over. They have sent greetings to their American cousins.

Difficulties Surmounted

THE formation of the American body was not easy when considering the large area to be embraced, and the difficulties seemed to be insurmountable.

Sectional bodies were formed, however, and this eased matters. Each section became strong, giving loyal support to the main body, and it did not take long for the United States G.A., to recognise the value of the professionals.

Well organised, they were real allies for maintaining golf in the forefront of sport in the New World.

The latest gesture shown by the American P.G.A. towards Britain is the subsidising of sufficient money to present Red Cross Ambulance to the British Red Cross.



Pte Williams breasting the tape for the Army in the 1,600 metres relay of the Army-Combined Chinese athletic meet at Caroline Hill on Sunday.—Ming Yuen.

"Y" And Signals Win Opening Games Of Water-polo League

START of the new water-polo tournament was made yesterday in the Army Pool, where the European Y.M.C.A. beat Middlesex team 5-2, and Royal Corps of Signals defeated the Royal Navy "C" 2-0.

Y.M.C.A. fielded their usual team with the exception of Sloan, making a re-appearance after several years and he proved his worth. Middlesex were weakened by the absence of Ure, who was indisposed, Birdsey and Jones.

The Richards, however, fully extended Y.M.C.A. and had the better of the second half when the Civilian attacked, the pace in the earlier stages having a telling effect.

The game was interesting although one-sided in the first half as Y.M.C.A. fell into their stride immediately and were four goals up before the interval. In the second half, Middlesex attacked in the deep-end and, taking advantage of their slower opponents, scored when Benn was ordered out for drifting.

They netted their second, the best goal of the match, through Hyman, who scored from just under the halfway distance when Middlesex took advantage of the slow swim up and marking of Y.M.C.A.

There was little to choose between the goalkeepers but Goodair, of running fame, had more to do. Ralston was the pick of the backs, although Hyman played a splendid defensive game defending the deep end.

"Y" Advantage

Y.M.C.A. had the advantage of speed and utilised this in the opening minutes when Benn and May (3) scored. Ralston added the other goal in the second half when Benn and May scored attacking games, although the latter was a trifle too robust in tackling Willis was slow in getting the ball away to his forwards and Gold-man was weak in marking in the second half.

Y.M.C.A.—H. C. Eardley; L. A. Benn, F. Willis; E. W. Ralston; C. Sloan, A. E. May, E. Goldman. Middlesex—Goodair; Hyman, Bindon; Jennings, Plummer, Burdge, Quickenden.

R. C. S. 2 Navy "C" 0

Signals, winners of the Army Large Units League, beat Navy C after leading 1-0 at the interval. The game was remarkable for the close-marking by the sailors, who gave very little away.

Hunt gave the Signals the lead in the first half, and Allen completed their tally in the second. Despite superiority in speed, the Signals were never given much scope for manoeuvring and their goals were the result of opportunity.

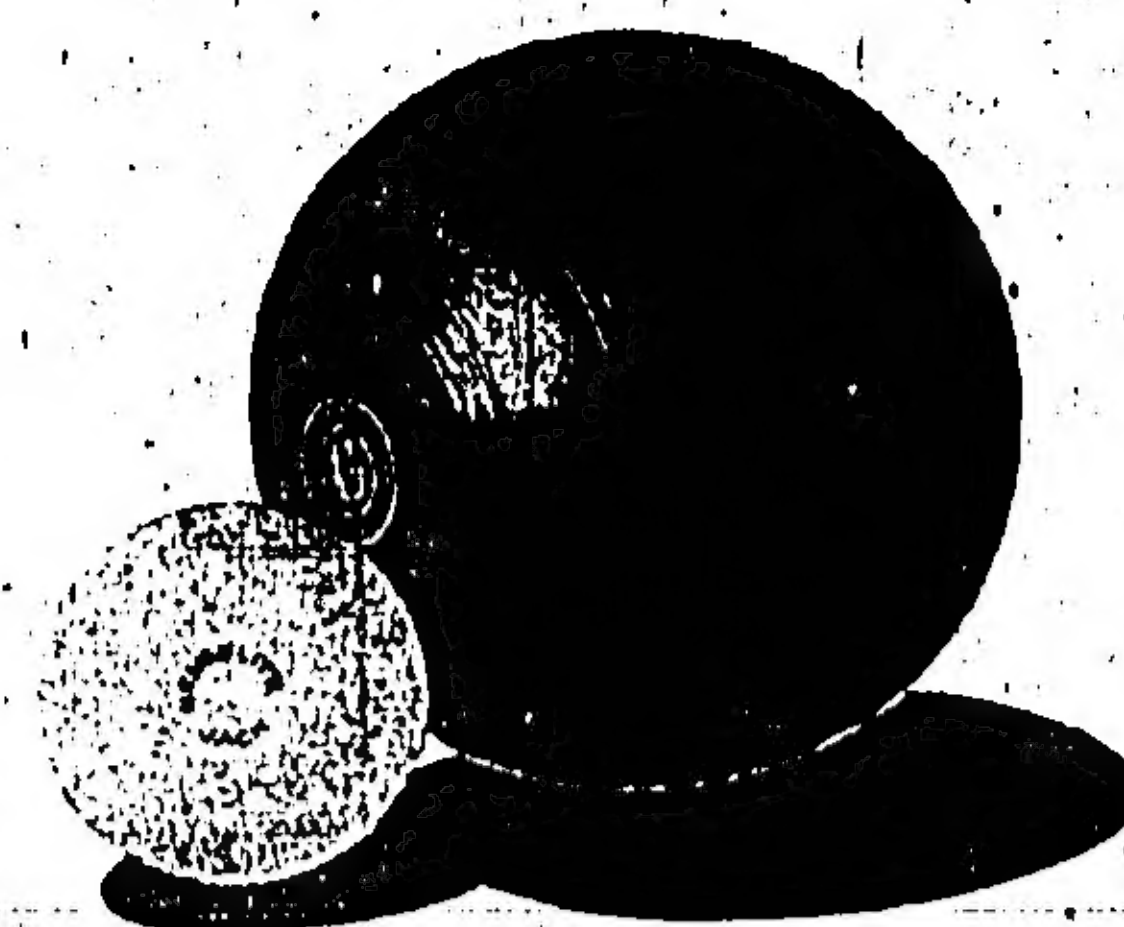
The match scheduled for the Navy pool to-morrow between Navy A and 503th Bty will be played in the Navy pool on Saturday at noon.

ENTRIES FOR POLO CLUB GYMKHANA JUMPING EVENT

The following are the owners and entries for the Hongkong Polo Club's Show Jumping event at the Gymkhana to be held on Saturday, at the Polo ground, Boundary Street, commencing at 3 p.m.

"A" Class (China ponies)—Canary (Capt. J. Whitaker); Darton (Bousfield); Double Chance (Capt. P. J. T. Skipling); Herra (J. C. A. Gundersen); Lady Luck (Colt's Club); March Brown (W. T. Stanton); That's That (L. A. Lewis); Trojan (L. A. Lewis); Three Farthings (Mrs. J. Whitaker). "B" Class (Australian ponies)—Dingo (Mrs. P. J. T. Skipling); Brutus (O. Treverton); Canberra Girl (Mrs. W. T. Stanton); Cape York (Capt. L. Skipling); Euston (Colt's Club); George (Lieut. E. A. Bonpas); Horatio (G. O'Connor); King Solomon (Capt. A. Atkinson); Kola (Capt. H. Marsh); Lady Precious Stream (Lt. Leith); Princess Bridget (D. G. E. Hiddleburg); Queen of Sheba (Capt. A. Atkinson); Spectrum (Mrs. P. J. T. Skipling); Winter's Tale (Capt. E. B. Hancock); Barrat (Capt. E. J. A. Fillion).

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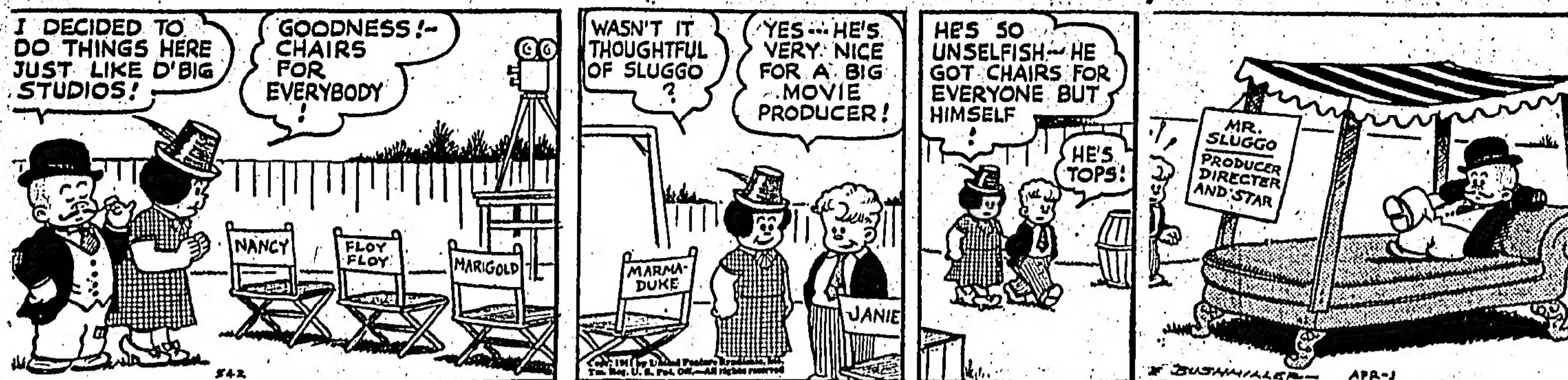
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Two Women Vanish At The Yard

Scotland Yard is trying to solve a mystery in its midst. The problem is: What happened to two young women who entered the building and then vanished?

During a recent air raid the women hailed a taxi at Victoria Station and told the driver to take them to Scotland Yard. When they arrived they ordered the driver to wait, appeared to speak to the policeman on duty at the main gates, and walked across the quadrangle towards the entrance.

The driver waited for over an hour and then inquired about his passengers. The building was searched, but no trace of the two women was found.

Forms which visitors to Scotland Yard are required to fill in were checked, but there was no record of anyone answering to the women's descriptions.

The officers on duty at the time have submitted reports. There appears to be no doubt that the women entered, but how they got out is not known. Since the air raids began only one entrance and exit has been in use.

Noted Chinese Painting

May Be Shown Here

A rare Chinese masterpiece of art, the "Ha San Yuek Yue To" (Summer Rain and the Mountains), painted by Kue Yeen, an artist-monk who lived about 930 A.D., has been acquired by a local collector, Mr. Li-Lui-ngam. Mr. Li was formerly a faculty member of the National Sun Yat-sen University in Canton, and is widely known for his poetry.

The picture has for many years been in a private collection in Kweilin, Kwangsi. It is in the shape of a scroll 16 feet long by one and a half feet wide. In the Ming Dynasty, it was the property of two distinguished scholars, and it also carries a seal of a premier of the same Dynasty. Seals of Ching Dynasty nobilities are also affixed thereon.

It is learned that a public showing of this famous work of art is being arranged for the near future.

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"Hellship" Sufferings Of 194 British Seamen

British seamen—194 of them—freed from an Italian prison camp in Somaliland by a British mobile unit, told recently of their sufferings aboard a Nazi "hellship."

The men, underfed, bearded and clothed in rags, had been members of the crews of ships sunk by a German Indian Ocean raider which flew at various times the Japanese, Dutch and British flags and used a Japanese name.

Some of the Britons were kept under decks for six weeks, but four women and two children were given separate accommodation, and were well treated.

The women and children were put aboard a Norwegian vessel, but the raider eventually seized a Jugo-Slav vessel to which it transferred the other captives.

The Jugo-Slav ship was manned by a prize crew, and guards with machine-guns were placed on the bridge.

Vessel's Crew Held

On November 23 the captives were landed on a lonely part of the Italian Somaliland coast.

There were 107 Britons at that time, twenty other Europeans—mostly French—sixty-seven Indian seamen and three Chinese.

Altogether the British seamen spent twenty-eight days on board the Jugo-Slav vessel. This vessel's crew were also held prisoner.

Most of them slept in the hold on a cargo of wet salt, with a tarpaulin as their only protection.

A Scot seaman said: "We got so thirsty that we had to scramble out in the middle of the night to collect rainwater. Breakfast was generally thin gruel or coconut flour, dinner was always just bean soup."

Bread and Jam

"Tea was dry bread and a teaspoonful of jam. Three times a week we had synthetic tea—otherwise we got cocoa."

"Sometimes we were so hungry some of the German crew, taking pity on us, would share their rations."

"When we were landed the commander of a small Italian military outpost transferred us by lorry to Mogadiscio."

"You can guess at the conditions—for no fewer than ninety-seven of us, weakened by the hardships and neglect in the raider and the prize ship were taken to hospital with dysentery and other illnesses. Three Britons died there."

R.A.F. USING RAY TELESCOPE

It may be that the R.A.F.'s recent increased successes against enemy night bombers are due to an infra red ray telescope, according to the Canadian "Commercial Aviation." This device picks up the infra red radiations given off by any hot object (in this instance plane engine) at night or in the daytime. Infra red rays pass freely through the haze and smoke, to reach the sensitive instrument, but any fog, except a very thin one, stops them.

AMERICANS ARE PARDONED

King Vittorio Emmanuel of Italy has pardoned George Ehret, formerly of New York, and Miss Grace Gunther, long-time American resident of Florence, who were convicted last November of illegal dealings in foreign exchange, reports Associated Press. Mr. Ehret was given a seven-year term and Miss Gunther six years.

OBJECTOR IN U. S. ARMY

Jose Di Donato, brother of Pietro, who wrote "Christ in Concrete," was inducted into the U.S. Army recently although he had registered as a conscientious objector. He, Pietro and three other brothers pledged at their mother's deathbed nine years ago that they would never take up arms. Jose will be assigned to a non-combatant unit.

Hemingway Says U.S. Soon Entering War

"Many signs point to America's being in the war quite soon," declared Ernest Hemingway, the novelist and correspondent for "P.M.," when he returned to Manila from Hongkong after a tour of the China war fronts. He declined, however, to hazard a guess as to the probable date.

Questioned on the subject of U.S. convoys across the Atlantic to Great Britain, he replied: "If you send things you must see that they get there."

Mr. Hemingway said that a reporter in these days could hardly take down notes. "He has to keep everything he sees and hears in his head to escape censorship."

He spent a week in Manila before going to Singapore to join his wife, Maria Cellhorn, who is also touring the Far East as special writer for the magazine, "Collier's."

Letters From Sons
The novelist was handed two letters by the airport manager at Cavite. They were from his two sons by a former marriage. His face lighted up in a broad grin, and he turned to a reporter: "This one is from my 11-year-old boy, in Key West, Florida. Listen to what he says: 'Dear Papa: The rooster is getting meaner every day. Day before yesterday he spurred me. He hit me in a vein and it spouted blood all over. But it is fine now.'"

The other Hemingway boy, 9, wrote that he had just seen a parade of the American Legion and that it was exciting. He asked Papa if he had been over the Burma Road and said "it must be quite exciting there too." "I think he writes better than Papa," Hemingway said, roaring with laughter.

CHANGED WILL 18 TIMES

Eighteen times in the last nine years Miss Louisa Gertrude Boothby Henthcote changed her will and altered her will.

She died in September, aged 85, leaving £109,354. Her will, dated March 1932, has 18 codicils.

She left £1,600, furniture, and an annuity of £300 to Alice Graham, her lady's maid, with an additional £200 a year if still in her service. To Gordon Stewart, chauffeur, she left £150 and £400 a year.

Two Years' Wages

More annuities, from £50 to £120, go to some other servants. Others receive one and two years' wages each.

Miss Henthcote lived at Friday Hill House, Chingford, Essex, and Norfolk-street, Parklane, W.

She had also a country house at Clevehurst, Stoke Poges, Buckinghamshire.

Record For Captive Herring's Longevity

The fact that the Carnegie Aquarium at Edinburgh Zoological Park holds the world record for the longevity of captive herring was commented upon by Mr. Matthew C. Thomson, the curator of the aquarium, when addressing the Zoological Park Luncheon Club recently.

"Just before the war," said Mr. Thomson, "the Germans claimed the world's record for keeping herring for 14 days in an inland aquarium, yet at that time I had kept herring for ten months."

"The first time I kept herring they lived from six to eight weeks, but as a result of observation, on that occasion I was able to keep a second lot for ten months, and the present lot for three or four days after that."

When Out Of Water

From experience, Mr. Thomson said he knew that herring taken from the water for at least two or three seconds, and which breathed outside air never revived.

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Latest Report On Invasion Of Crete

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mountainous—Germany must rely on parachute troops.
The use of engineless gliders, which can land more easily on uneven ground, was a surprise move but the defenders were not caught unawares.

The British and Allied forces are assisted in the island's defence by the warlike Cretan hillmen, whose womenfolk even are accustomed to the constant necessity of fighting to protect their homes.

Formidable Home Guard

Led by "The Captains of the Hills," such as Captain Holygeorge, who had killed ten men when he was still only nineteen years old, and the bearded giant, Captain Tan, the hillmen are banded together, armed chiefly with knives and swords. They constitute a formidable "Home Guard" and Intelligence Service and can be relied upon to deal with any Nazi parachutists unfortunate enough to fall into their hands.

Odds Against Parachutists

(BY "REUTERS" DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT)
LONDON, May 20.—The German attempt to establish a foothold on Crete by parachutists and airborne troops is unquestionably a most daring and hazardous move.

The chances of success are slender. It can be regarded as a big gamble, but is probably intended as a full-dress rehearsal for other invasion plans against Britain.

A guess on German plans from the meagre data available is that they will probably try to seize the coastal strip so that blockade runners can be rushed across from Greek waters while British warships are kept off by heavy air attacks.

Parachutists may also try to seize aerodromes and to panic the population by indiscriminate shooting.

Cretans Good Fighters

Cretans have always been among the best Greek soldiers and it is most unlikely that the Germans will find fifth columnists among them.

Although no figures are available of the strength of the British, New Zealand and Greek forces in Crete, there is no reason to doubt that they would be more than a match for any airborne troops, whose numbers are necessarily limited.

R.A.F. & R.N. Handy

The R.A.F. can be relied on to take a severe toll of the heavy Junkers planes, and the Royal Navy, with an anchorage at Suda Bay, should be in a position to maintain a pretty effective blockade against any approach to the Greek coast or the Dodecanese.

Parachutists, who are able to carry ammunition and iron rations for several days, may be able to institute some form of guerrilla warfare, but the odds against the invaders are heavy.

Hazardous Undertaking

LONDON, May 20 (UP).—Some idea of the extent to which the Germans prepared to attack Crete is indicated by the estimate that one division landed in the first phase of the operations. A division would require 700 Junker 52s making a trip apiece for personnel alone, regardless of the big supply formations carrying heavy mortars, heavy machine-guns, anti-tank guns, ammunition and perhaps light tanks. The number of carriers increases to the proportion of parachute planes and gliders used.

Junker 52s are supposed to carry 14 parachutists but a glider hardly carries over ten soldiers. The number of troops at General Freyberg's disposal is unknown, but it is recalled that the Greeks claimed the evacuation of four divisions from the mainland, and in addition to this there must be a considerable British force accumulated since Britain established bases on the island six months ago.

BERLIN, May 20 (UP).—Up to 7.30 p.m. this evening, German quarters insisted that they were unable to say anything regarding the report that German parachute troops had attacked Crete, but informed circles hinted that it was a false assertion that any parachutists were wearing New Zealand uniforms. They stated that a portion of the parachutists were recently outfitted with khaki uniforms, similar to those of the German African Corps, for use in the tropics and warm climates.

Rear-Admiral Gadow in a front page article in to-morrow's "Deutsche Allgemeine" will point out the victories in Greece and the Aegean Islands, instead of handicapping the Axis, provides them with new starting points. The article concludes that the once vague conception of a land bridge to India has taken on practical significance with the threatened Arabian uprisings and growing anti-British sentiment in Egypt and India.

Germans Taken Over Syrian Railways

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cupied by German ground staff and in all 20 or more Syrian airports are available for German use, says the Ankara correspondent of the Columbia Broadcasting System.

Fifty Enemy Planes

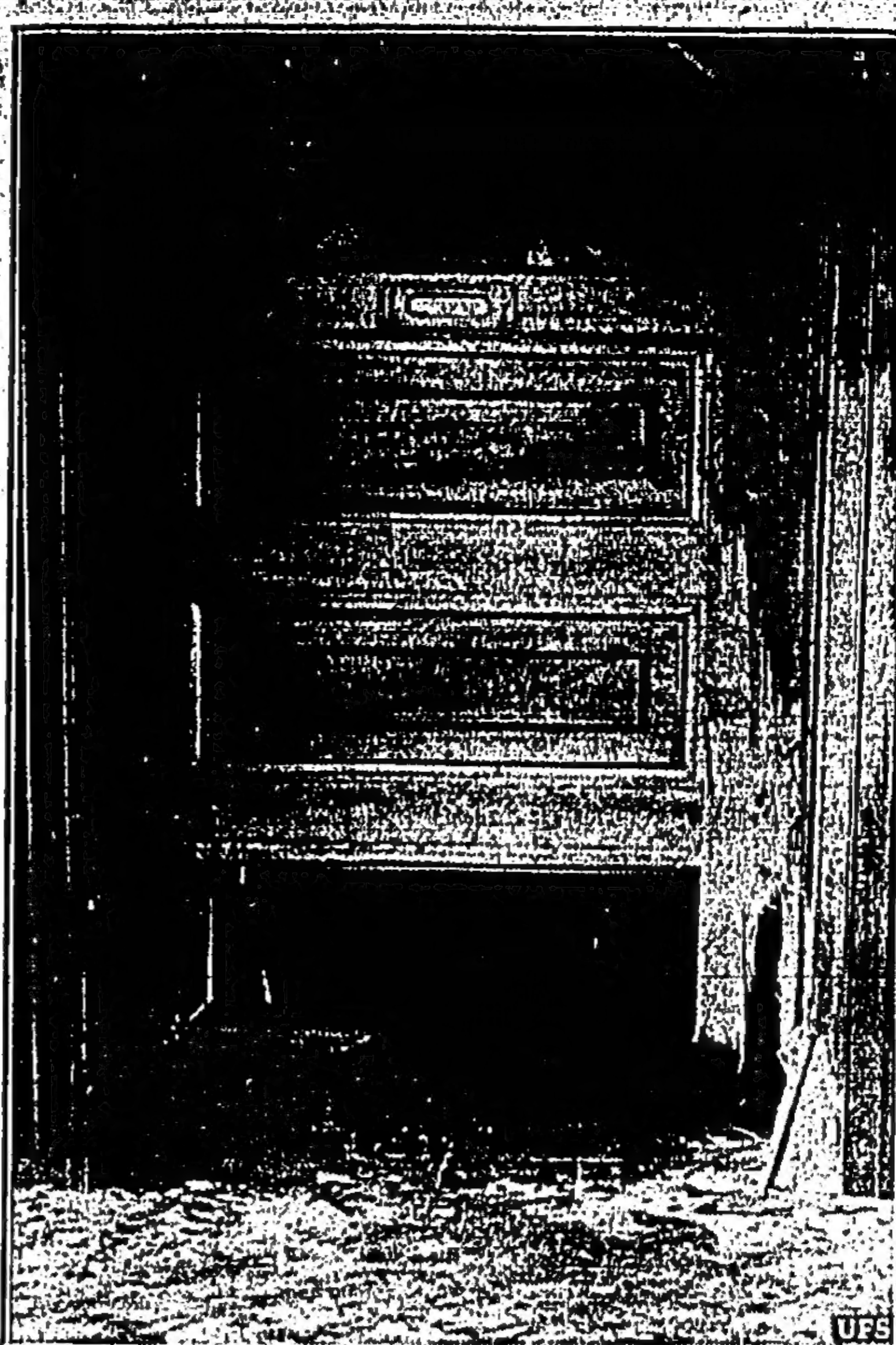
LONDON, May 20 (Reuters).—About 50 German planes have so far crossed Syria, it is believed here.

Pilots For De Gaulle

LONDON, May 20 (Reuters).—The Cairo correspondent of the Independent French Agency says that a certain number of French planes have been flown over the Syrian frontier by their pilots to join General de Gaulle.

NORWEGIANS MAN U.S. DESTROYERS

Four United States destroyers transferred to Britain under the naval exchange deal are manned by the Norwegian Navy and are under the Norwegian flag, the Norwegian Foreign Minister, Trygve Lie, said in London.



CONSULATE BOMBED—A small bomb wrecked a door of the German consulate in Havana, but there were no casualties. Bomber left a note on the consulate door, reading: "Down with the Nazi-Fascist oppressors of the people."

Churchill's Story Of Latest In N. Africa

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markedly well-sustained action at Sollum. This is of interest because it was fought exclusively between British and German troops. It has not, I suppose, been found worthwhile to maintain Italian troops at the end of such a long and precarious line of communication (Laughter).

The fighting was severe but not on a very large scale. Several of our motorised brigades, supported by armoured brigades and strong artillery, advanced 30 miles from the position where they had deployed for some weeks past and attacked the enemy—taking Sollum, Hellfire Pass and Fort Capuzzo—and the armoured troops had got well round the flank and were well in situation at about 1 p.m. on May 17.

Resolute Counter Attack

"But the Germans launched a resolute counter-attack with about 40 tanks and re-captured Capuzzo. That entailed the withdrawal of the armoured brigades from the advantageous position which they had attained. The operations were, therefore, indecisive.

The Germans claim 100 British prisoners. We have 500 German prisoners and their losses in tanks and personnel are certainly as heavy, if not heavier, than ours. "But this operation must be regarded as a background. For over six weeks past, the Germans have been proclaiming that they would shortly be in Suez and have been making much credit with the neutral world by spreading such a statement. It is, therefore, satisfactory to see that we have retained strong offensive power and that fighting is being maintained at any rate on even terms in the advanced areas of the approach to Egypt.

LATE NEWS

STRATEGIC SUCCESS IN IRAQ

CAIRO, May 20 (Reuters).—The great strategic value of the Iraq town of Fallujah, captured by the British from the rebels, is stressed in Cairo military circles.

Fallujah bridge is the only crossing of the Euphrates between Habbaniyah and Baghdad. Had this narrow one-way traffic bridge been destroyed—and it was thought that the rebels had mined it—Habbaniyah would have been cut off from British land-borne reinforcements, and since the Euphrates is in full flood, it would have caused considerable embarrassment to the British operations in this area.

S. Shansi Battle Favours Chinese

CHUNGKING, May 20 (Reuters).—While admitting that one Chinese division commander, General Wang Chun, was killed in action in the Chuntiaoshan battle in Southern Shansi province, a Chinese military spokesman to-day denied the Japanese allegation that two Chinese army corps and one divisional commander were killed and one Deputy Divisional Commander was taken prisoner.

He added: "With the fighting at Chuntiaoshan on such a large scale, there is bound to be heavy casualties on both sides. After a fortnight of desperate fighting in which the Chinese suffered heavy casualties, the situation is now developing in the Chinese favour."

Misfortune Follows Breese Family

LONDON, May 20 (Reuters).—The announcement to-day that Flying Officer Henry Francis Dempster Breese is missing marks a triple family tragedy of war.

His father, Air Vice-Marshal C. D. Breese, was killed on active service as the result of a flying accident, it was announced in March. His elder brother, Flight Lieutenant J. G. Breese, is a prisoner of war in Germany.

IMMIGRATION COMMISSION FINDINGS

The report of the Immigration Department Commission has been forwarded to the Secretary of State for the Colonies, who has given telegraphic instructions that the report is not to be published until he has had an opportunity of reading it, states a Government communique.

BRAVE NEW ZEALANDERS

LONDON, May 20 (Reuters).—The New Zealand Premier, Mr Peter Fraser, reviewing the New Zealand troops who have returned from Greece, told them: "I know that you are all ready to perform a similar task if called upon."

LONDON, May 20 (Reuters).—The sinking of the Royal Naval auxiliary vessel Camilla, is announced by the Admiralty.

LONDON, May 20 (Reuters).—The International Rubber Regulation Committee has fixed the quota for the third quarter at 100 per cent. unchanged.

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Lights "O" \$5.70

Electricity \$11.25

Entertainments \$0.25

Sellers

Providents \$5.15

Cements \$13.75

Sales

H.K. Banks \$1,310

Providents \$5.10

Lands \$31

Electricity \$11.30

Macao Electricity \$18.75

Extension Of Powers To Issue Banknotes

At a meeting of the Legislative Council to-morrow afternoon, the Financial Secretary will move the following resolution:

Resolved pursuant to the proviso to section 3 of the Note-issuing Banks Extension of Powers Ordinance, 1939, that this Legislative Council hereby extends the powers of all the note-issuing banks to make, issue, and circulate notes until and including the 12th day of July, 1941.

The Attorney General is to move the first reading of "A Bill to amend the Prevention of Eviction Consolidations and Amendment Ordinance, 1939," and second and third readings of "A Bill to amend the Post Office Ordinance, 1926."

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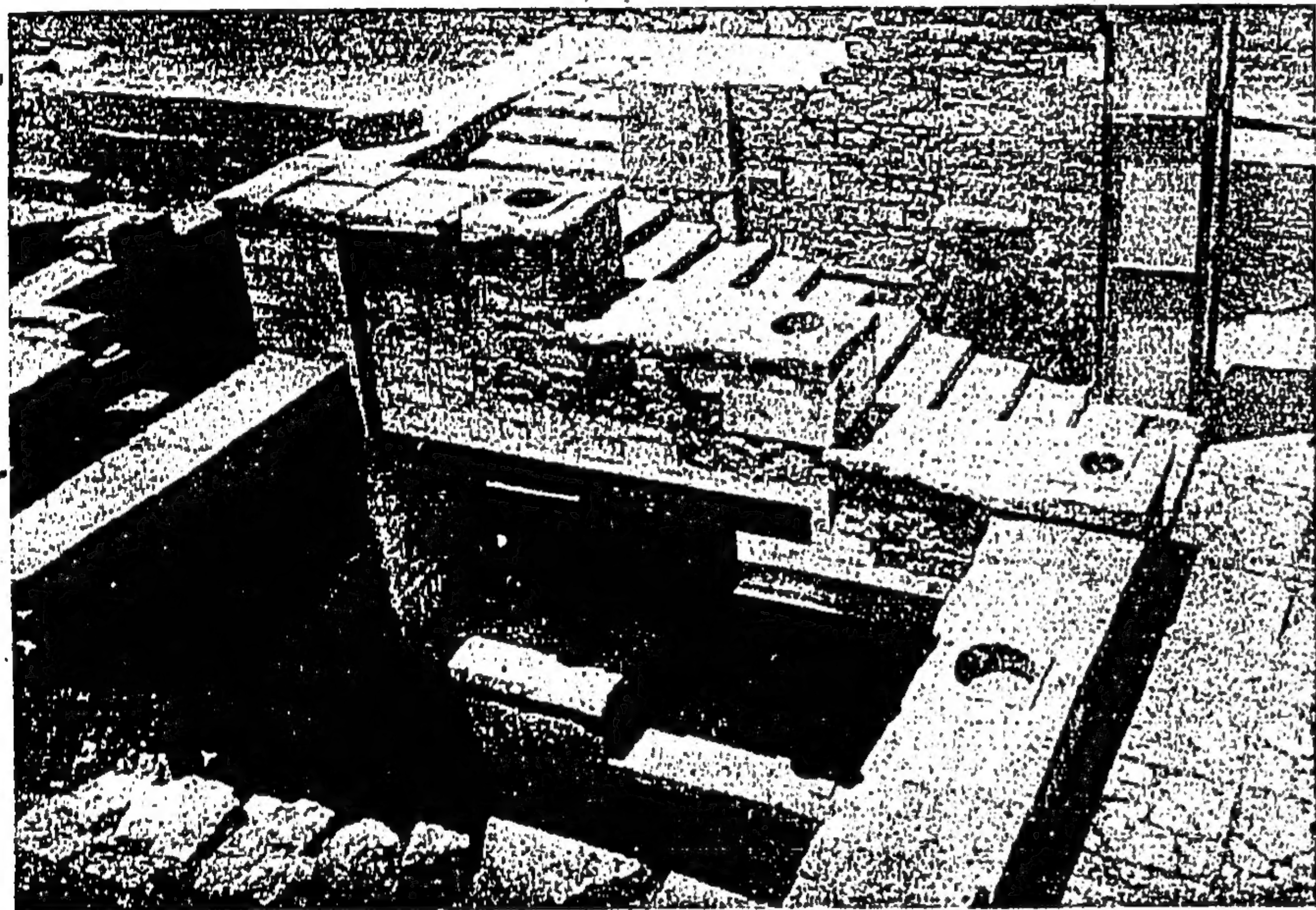
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DEFENDERS DEAL RUTHLESSLY WITH NAZI CRETE INVADERS No Quarter Given to Disguised Troops

By MILES HANDLER
Special to the "Telegraph"

LONDON, MAY 20 (UP).—MURDEROUS GUERRILLA FIGHTING BEGAN TO-DAY AT CRETE WHEN 1,500 GERMAN "SUICIDE" PARACHUTISTS IN WARPLANE CARRIERS AND GLIDERS LANDED ON THE ISLAND BASTION WHICH BARS THE NAZI ROUTE TO SYRIA. REPEATING THE FAMOUS ATTACK ON MAY 10 LAST YEAR ON THE ROTTERDAM AIRFIELD, GERMAN PARACHUTISTS, CLOTHED IN NEW ZEALAND BATTLE DRESS, LANDED AT STRATEGIC POINTS OF THE ISLAND, SEEKING TO DISRUPT THE DEFENDING FORCES AND HOLD POSITIONS UNTIL FURTHER AERIAL REINFORCEMENTS ARRIVED.



According to Mr Churchill's second announcement in the House of Commons, a strong enemy force is still holding out south of the Canea-Maleme road, but the ruthless fighting which resulted in subduing other groups of parachutists is best gauged by the fact that the British and French in the early days of the war warned the Nazis that any fighting in Allied uniforms of their parachutists found or civilian clothes would be treated as spies.

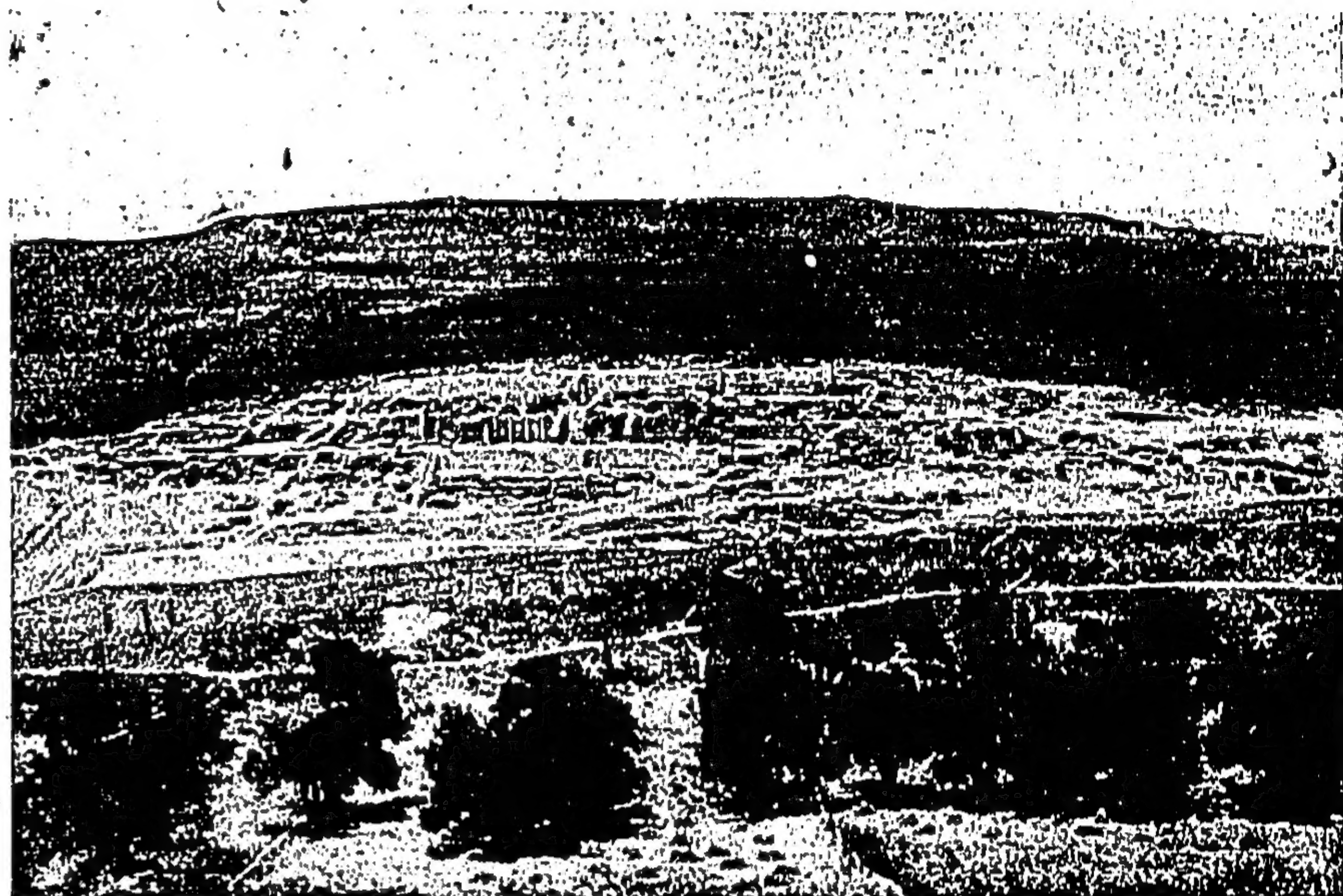
Remembering the Rotterdam lesson, the Allied forces were trained and prepared to offer furious resistance to parachutists.

Furthermore, General Freyberg's world war record shows that is not likely to be a man who would ask for or give quarter to an enemy using the Rotterdam tactics.

It is believed that the attack on Crete may serve a triple purpose: firstly, to eliminate the British stronghold barring the way to Syria; secondly, a feint to preoccupy the British troops while the Nazis prepare a coup elsewhere; and, thirdly, TURN to Back Page, Column 4

Crete's Famous Ruins

The island of Crete, apart from its military strategic position, is chiefly noted for its famous Minoan remains, first discovered in 1876. The two pictures on this page illustrate some of the excavations. Below is a view of the palace of Cnossus on the hill of Kephala, about four miles inland from Candia. The other picture shows the great staircase and hall of colonnades at Cnossus. So far there are no reports of German invasion operations in this part of the island.



"Nauseating Rhapsodies On This Blood-Stained Crook"

—Questions On Rudolf Hess
LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—Mr Winston Churchill refused to be drawn out on the subject of Rudolf Hess when questioners bombarded him in the House of Commons to-day.

Major Vyvyan Adams asked if it had been established that Hess' visit was planned with the German Government's connivance.

The Prime Minister replied: "I am not yet in a position to make a statement on this subject and I am not at all sure when I shall be." Major Adams then asked if the Government had actively in mind the possibility that the whole stunt may be a common garden plant; also whether they would discourage the press from renewing their "nauseating rhapsodies on this blood-stained crook" (Laughter and Cheers).

The Prime Minister: "I certainly do not feel that I ought to detract in any way from the vehemence of Major Adams' statement." (Laughter).

Delicate Appetite

The Labour Member, Mr Robert Tylor, complained of the press descriptions of "this man's very delicate appetite and the means taken to satisfy it" and added: "Our people believe that there are many people in concentration camps who had just as delicate appetites and they were not satisfied as in this case."

The Prime Minister: "Yes, certainly. But as far as I am at present advised, he is being treated as a prisoner of war and will receive treatment appropriate for a prisoner."

Dominican Dictator On Tour At Nassau

NASSAU, May 20 (Reuter).—The Dictator of the Dominican Republic, Rafael Trujillo, arrived here from New York to-day.

He is to meet the Governor, the Duke of Windsor, and the Duchess at Government House.

France Will Fight For Her Empire

Special to the "Telegraph"

WASHINGTON, May 20 (UP).—The French Ambassador, M. Gaston Henry-Haye, to-day informed Mr Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, that France will resist any attempt to take over any part of her empire, which includes Martinique. He also protested against the United States placing armed guards on French vessels moored in American harbours.

The Ambassador told Mr Hull that France would not recognise any declaration aimed at the seizure of French possessions anywhere.

It is understood that the primary purpose of his visit was to obtain clarification of the "emotional" situation arising here, which he asserted was unjustified because France had done nothing beyond the terms of the Franco-German armistice under which Germany and Italy are entitled to use French airfields, including Syrian air bases.

Mr Henry-Haye declared that the Axis forces, so far, had not utilised any of the French airfields under the armistice article which specifies that all airfields had all installations in any French territory will be placed under German and Italian control.

He reminded Mr Hull of France's war casualties declaring: "We were beaten this time and we have to rebuild ourselves. I told Mr Hull about the French suffering—125,000 young soldiers killed, 300,000 wounded and 1,500,000 imprisoned. In addition to 80,000 civilians killed."

Mr Menzies' Return

MELBOURNE, May 20 (Reuter).—The Federal War Cabinet has cleared up the outstanding business in preparation for the return of the Prime Minister, Mr R. G. Menzies, from North America at the week-end.

Mr Menzies will broadcast a message to the nation immediately on arrival.

Mr A. W. Fadden, the Acting Prime Minister, will hand over to Mr Menzies officially on May 23.

Enemy Ships Sunk

Record Of A Week

LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).

In widespread attacks on enemy shipping during the week ending May 19, units of the British Navy and the R.A.F. have sunk at least eight supply ships totalling 40,600 tons.

In addition, during a highly successful attack by the Fleet Air Arm on an enemy convoy in the Mediterranean, a merchant ship of 8,000 tons blew up with a violent explosion.

An enemy destroyer was hit and clouds of smoke were seen pouring from it.

German Experts Said to Have Taken Over Syrian Railways

Special to the "Telegraph"

BUDAPEST, May 20 (UP).—An Ankara dispatch to the semi-official news agency, quoted by the Turkish morning newspapers, declares that German experts have taken over the Syrian railways, establishing large stores at certain junctions.

Not Through Turkey

CAIRO, May 20 (Reuter).—War material sent from Syria to Iraq has not gone through Turkish territory, according to a usually reliable source here.

This source reveals that the war material was sent by rail to Aleppo, where it was unloaded and transferred to a fleet of Iraqi lorries, which conveyed the material by road to Mosul.

Aleppo Airport Occupied
LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—Aleppo airport in Syria has been occupied by German troops, it was learned to-day.

Churchill's Story Of Latest Operations In North Africa

LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—In his statement in the House of Commons to-day, Mr Winston Churchill referred to the South African army and said that they had played a most distinguished part in the East African fighting.

Continuing, Mr Churchill said: "They had been ordered by General Smuts to go forward and now as this theatre is closing down, they are to move northwards to the Mediterranean (Cheers)."

"Also two British and Indian divisions gained laurels in the fighting at Kassala and all the way from Kassala to Keren and up to the final events."

"These Indian divisions consist of six Indian battalions and three British battalions. Their ardour and faithful endurance of hardship have won the regard of their British comrades."

"Sometimes we have seen cases where not a single British officer remained and the battalion conducted itself in a most effective manner."

"Any account of this campaign reflects very high honour upon the soldiers of India of all castes and creeds engaged."

Anglo-Nazi Encounter

"The second event which occurred since we were last here is the remarkably well-sustained action at Solom. This is of interest because it was fought exclusively between"

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Nazi Raiders May Be Operating from Dakar

Special to the "Telegraph"

WASHINGTON, May 20 (UP).—The revelation that the steamer Zamzam was sunk in the South Atlantic has aroused apprehension in official circles to-day that German raiders might be operating from African ports such as Dakar. It has also caused serious speculation regarding the status of United States shipping which is scheduled to move to Egypt under President Roosevelt's recent decree opening the Red Sea to United States merchant vessels.

The fact that the Germans considered the Zamzam's cargo as contraband, although none of it was actual military equipment, created the presumption that cargoes on United States ships would also be classed as contraband by the Germans.

The State Department withheld comment but it is understood that it is making every effort to determine the whereabouts of the American citizens who were taken off the

Zamzam before she was sunk. The Berlin announcement that they are in "occupied territory" suggested Dakar or Casablanca.

Berlin Report

BERLIN, May 20 (UP).—An official news agency report from unofficial circles states that the

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LATEST

Japanese Force Down C.N.A.C. Plane: Passengers Escape

Piloted by an American pilot, Mr Woods and carrying among its complement of passengers two Americans, Dr and Mrs E. Brown, a China National Aviation Corporation aeroplane D.C.-3 was forced down yesterday morning by Japanese bombers at Suifu, on the Yangtse River just above Chungking.

The plane took refuge at an airfield at Ipin, near Suifu, but was bombed while on the ground and sustained destructive damage to its right wing, although crew and passengers made good their escape.

The plane was en route from Chungking to Chengtu when it was attacked and despite harassing fire, made a safe landing on the Ipin airfield.

The local C.N.A.C. office have not yet been informed of any details.

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U. S. FOOD FOR EIRE But No Weapons

WASHINGTON, May 20 (Reuter).—The President told a press conference that the United States has offered to sell or charter two ships to Ireland and to supply half a million dollars' worth of food for the Irish civilian population.

The ships would be manned by Irish crews and the purchase of the food would be financed from a special Red Cross Relief appropriation of \$50,000,000, the half a million being additional to any purchase made by Ireland herself.

President Roosevelt indicated that no arms would be available for sale to Ireland, following the United States' general rule to supply munitions only to active belligerents.

The ships for Ireland would be placed under the Irish flag, and would probably carry much more than half a million dollars' worth of food because Eire intends to make purchases on her own account.

Bulgaria Recognises Manchukuo

SOFIA, May 20 (UP).—It is officially announced that the Bulgarian Government has recognised the Manchukuoan regime. M. Filoff, the Premier, has informed and congratulated the head of the Manchukuoan regime telegraphically.

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1.00 Local Time Signal.
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1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press and Announcements.
1.45 Excerpts from Gilbert and Sullivan's "Patience".

Overture... Symphony Orchestra conducted by Malcolm Sargent; Twenty Love-sick Madlins We... Nellie Briarcliffe, Rita Mackay and Chorus of Girls; Still Brooding On Their Mad Infatuation; I Cannot Tell What This Love May Be... Winifred Lawson and Nellie Briarcliffe with Orchestra; Let the Merry Cymbals Sound... Derek Oldham, Darrell Souter, M. Green, and George Baker with Chorus of Girls and Dragoons.

2.15 Close Down.
5.45 Indian Programme.
6.30 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.32 The Hill Billies and the Leona Cuban Boys.
7.00 London Relay—The News.
7.15 London Relay—"Questions of the Hour".

7.30 Selections from Light Opera. A Country Girl—Selection. (Monckton)... London Theatre Orchestra; Les Cloches de Corneville—Vocal Gems (Planquette)... Columbia Light Opera Company with Orchestra; Lili—Time-Selection (Schubert, arr. Berle and Clutson)... Harry Davidson (Organ); "H.M.S. Pinafore"—Selection (Sullivan).... The Band of H. M. Coldstream Guards.

8.00 Local Time Signal and Announcements.
8.02 Liszt—Dante Sonata.
8.18 "Cello Solos by Beatrice Harrison".

8.30 Studio—"Some British Poets" No. 1 Gray.
Talk by Father T. Ryan, S.J.
8.50 Eric Coates—Summer Days Suite.

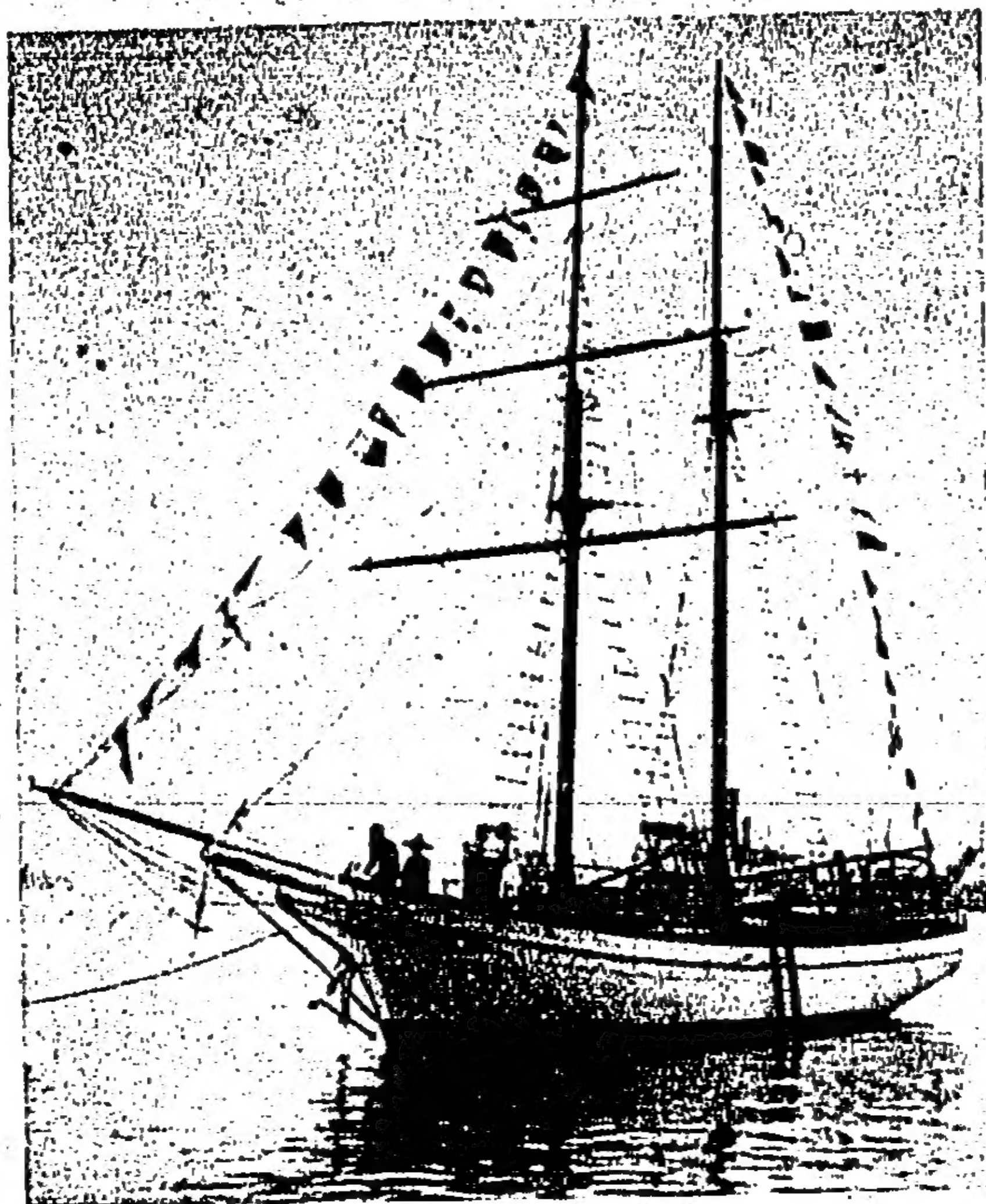
9.00 London Relay—The News and News Commentary.
9.15 Compositions of Johann Strauss.

The Gipsy Baron—Overture... The Symphony Orchestra; Village Swallows from Austria—Waltz... Marek Weber and His Orchestra; The Singer's Joy—French Polka... Symphony Orchestra; Wine, Women and Song... Mavis Benbow (Soprano) with Orchestra; Artistic Life—Waltz... Marek Weber and His Orchestra; Thunder and Lightning—Polka... Boston Promenade Orchestra.

9.45-10.00 News in French (on Short Wave Only).
9.45 Humorous Variety.
Vocal Duets—Tricky Little Tune (McGill); A More or Less Volga Boat Song (McGill)... Major and Minor with Orchestra; Comedy Sketch—Sandy the Detective (Powell, Thompson)... Sandy Powell and Company; Vocal—There's Always Together (Crumit and others)... Frank Crumit with Orchestra.

10.00 French Variety.
10.30 Dance Music.
11.00 Close Down.

TO CIRCLE THE GLOBE



The 55-ton luxury brigantine, Nuestra Señora de la Paz (Our Lady of Peace), which was launched at the Wing On Shing shipyard on Monday. The vessel will be taken on a round-the-world cruise by Lt-Col Juan Calvo and Lt-Col A. Armatz of the Philippines. The lower picture shows those who attended the launching. Lt-Col Calvo is seen in centre, with Miss Virginia Hildebrand, who performed the ceremony, on his left (Photos: Mayfair Studio).



Women Riot Against Nightsoil Monopoly

Using umbrellas, wooden clogs and hairpins, a gang of about 50 women nightsoil workers attacked a Police Emergency Unit led by Superintendent W. P. Thompson, Assistant Superintendent E. C. Luscombe and Inspector J. R. McWalter in the Post Office Building yesterday.

As a result an Indian Policeman had his hand badly bitten near the wrist and other members of the Force were slightly injured, including Mr Luscombe, who was bitten in the arm.

After a scuffle which lasted nearly 10 minutes 47 women were arrested and taken to Central Police Station where they were detained. Some were released during the night.

The disorder began during the meeting of the Urban Council which started at 4.15 p.m., one item on the agenda being the question of nightsoil charges. Shortly before 4 p.m. about 500 women surrounded the Post Office Building and the Police Emergency Unit had to be called out to maintain order.

Interview with Mr Carrie. While the meeting was in progress about 50 to 60 women entered the building by the rear staircase and waited for Hon. Mr W. J. Carrie, Chairman of the Urban Council, who was presiding at the meeting, outside his office. On his return after the meeting about 5 p.m. Mr Carrie inquired what they wanted and told them there was nothing he could do for them. However, five women who claimed to be representatives of the gathering were granted an interview.

Mr Carrie told the Morning Post that the delegates did not ask for employment for the demonstrators. In fact, they said they did not want to be employed by Government as the pay was too low, but what they wanted was that the Urban Council should revert to the old system of allowing the nightsoil to be removed by individual contractors under the Guild as in the past.

Mr Carrie said the women were mostly the heads of family concerns formerly engaged in nightsoil removal. He said they exploited child labour and underpaid their folk to such an extent that they were able to command quite a good income by doing hardly any work at all. Many of the women formerly employed by these contractors were so physically incapable of carrying buckets to the boats that they frequently resorted to dumping them on the roadside.

"I can give you the numbers of Police Court cases to prove that," Mr Carrie concluded.

Even after the delegates had left Mr Carrie's office the women on the staircase outside refused to move despite an appeal by the delegates. The police then gave them half an hour to leave with a warning that they would be arrested if they did not move within that time. About 40 minutes later the women were again requested to leave. Some moved away, but the

NEW JAPANESE PORT

Elaborate Ceremonies At Koihin-Opening

Tokyo, May 20. The 62-year-old dream came true to-day when Port Koihin, combining the ports of Tokyo and Yokohama, was officially opened with elaborate ceremonies.

The first ship steaming into the port at 9 a.m. was the Myoken Maru, 6,000 tons, of the East Asia Marine Transport Company, which is on the Shanghai-Tokyo run. The ship was greeted by cheers and whistles from 42 fully-decked vessels anchored within the port.

Marking the day's celebration, Mayor Okubo of Tokyo gave a public address at a rally at the Ribiye Public Hall with high Government officials attending. Dorel.

Mr Roosevelt Not Sending Any Special Message to Congress

WASHINGTON, May 20 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt does not anticipate sending any special message to Congress in the near future.

He announced this at his press conference to-day, thus disappointing upward of 100 journalists present. They had jammed President Roosevelt's office for what was expected to be a momentous conference in anticipation of an indication from the President of "big decision."

Relief Appropriation. WASHINGTON, May 20 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt has asked Congress for an \$88,000,000 relief appropriation for the year beginning July 1.

This amount is \$100,000,000 below the estimates in the budget.

Shipping Rates. WASHINGTON, May 20 (Reuter).—The House of Representatives to-day passed and sent to the Senate a Bill giving the Maritime Commission persuasive authority to control shipping rates, cargoes and voyages in the interests of national defence.

H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning.

BANKS
H.K. Banks \$.....1,310 sa.
H.K. Banks £.....74 n.
H.K. Banks (H.K.) £.....74 n.
Chartered £.....87 n.
Mercantile £.....23 n.
Mercantile C. £.....11 n.
East Asia £.....71 b.

INSURANCES
Canons \$.....220 n.
Union \$.....405 sa.
China Underwriters \$.....1 n.
H.K. Fire \$ x d.....170 b.

SHIPPING
Douglas \$.....128 n.
Steamships \$.....8 n.
Indo-China P. \$.....80 b.
Indo-China D. \$.....60 n.
Shell (Benares) \$/-.....40/7 1/2 n.
Waterboats \$.....655 n.

DOCKS ETC.
Wharves \$.....85 1/2 n.
Docks \$.....14.95 n.
Provident \$.....5.10 sa.
Shal Dockyards \$.....20 1/2 n.

MINING
Kailan \$/-.....12/6 n.
Ratts \$.....8 n.
H.K. Mines \$.....1 1/4 cts. n.

LANDS
Hotels \$.....2.85 b.
Land \$.....31 b. & sa.
Land 4% Debentures.....97 1/2 n.
Shal Lands Sh. \$.....13.20 n.
Humphreys \$.....6.70 n.
H.K. Realities \$.....2.70 n.
Chinese Estates \$.....90 n.

UTILITIES
Trams \$.....15.90 n.
Peak Trams (old) \$.....7 1/2 n.
Peak Trams (new) \$.....3 1/2 n.
Star Ferries \$.....51 1/4 n.
Y. Ferries x d. \$.....21.35 n.
China Lights (old) \$.....5.70 b.
China Lights (new) \$.....1 1/2 n.
H.K. Electric (old) x rts. \$.....21 1/2 n.
H.K. Electric (new) \$.....11 1/2 sa.
Macao Electric \$.....18 1/2 n.
Sandakan Lights \$.....12 n.
Telephones (old) \$.....22.60 n.
Telephones (new) \$.....9 1/4 n.

INDUSTRIALS
Cald. Macg. (Ord.) Sh. \$.....30 n.
Cald. Macg. (Pref.) Sh. \$.....25 n.
Canton Ices \$.....1 n.
Cements \$.....13 1/2 n.
H.K. Rope \$.....6 1/2 b.

STORES &c.
Dairy Farms \$.....17 1/4 n.
Watsons \$.....9 1/4 n.
Lane Crawford \$.....7 1/4 n.
Sinceres \$.....2.15 n.
Wing On (H.K.) \$.....39 n.
Powell Ltd. \$.....1 1/2 n.

COTTON MILLS
Ewo Sh. \$.....35 1/4 n.
Shal Cotton \$.....205 n.

MISC.
H.K. Govt 4%.....97 n.
H.K. Govt 3 1/2% (1934).....94 1/2 n.
H.K. Govt 3 1/2% (1940).....94 n.
Ch. Govt 5% 1925 GSBds.....23 n.
Entertainments \$.....8 1/2 b.
Constructions (old) \$.....1.00 n.
Constructions (new) \$.....1 n.
Vibro Piling \$.....6/3 n.
Marmans Inv. (Lon) \$.....6/3 n.
Marmans Inv. (H.K.) \$/-.....2 1/4 n.

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T.T. Singapore	52 1/2
T.T. Japan	103 1/2
T.T. India	82 1/2
T.T. U.S.A.	24 1/2
T.T. Manila	48 1/4
T.T. Batavia	45 1/4
T.T. Bangkok	140 1/4
T.T. Saigon	104 1/2
T.T. France	102 1/2
T.T. Switzerland	102 1/2
T.T. Australia	1/0 1/4
BUYING	
4 m/s L/C London	1/3 1/4
4 m/s D/P London	1/3 1/4
4 m/s L/C U.S.A.	25
4 m/s France	84 1/2
30 d/s India	84 1/2
U.S. Cross rate in London	4.02 1/4
U.S. Cross rate in N.Y.	4.03 1/4

Major Baseball

N. Y. Yankees Nose Out St Louis

NEW YORK, May 19 (UP).—New York Yankees nosed out St Louis Browns 10-9 in the American League to-day. In the National League, Chicago Cubs trounced Brooklyn Dodgers 9-0.

Scores were:
AMERICAN LEAGUE
New York 10, St Louis 9.
Chicago 9, Brooklyn 0.

NATIONAL LEAGUE
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PETAINE'S FRANCE

MARSHAL Petain, head of the "conquered" Third French Republic, occupies perhaps the most unfortunate post in the world to-day. His position is also unique. Called from an honoured retirement to patch up difficult relations between France and Spain he was virile enough though an octogenarian, to assume control of the country when it was beaten, disillusioned and in despair. The free world hoped that the simple honourable sentiments of a soldier would shine through and dispel the clouds of treachery; that France would be content, even if she could no longer struggle in France, to suffer her intolerable burden until the victory of her friends released her and to withhold as far as possible, assistance to the enemy.

There has lately been a move induced perhaps by Petain's misguided belief that Britain may not win the war, to collaborate willingly with Germany. This is a defeatism that acknowledges indefinite subjection to the German yoke. The object of Petain's new course is, he avers, to save as much of the French Empire as possible. By following a path of dishonour he hopes to keep at France's side her overseas possessions and arms by giving them a German promise of immunity.

Even if this act is designed to save the French further suffering it cannot be sanctioned by us on any ground. French sufferings, great as they are, are less than those of Britain. She is suffering reduced rations and humiliation but little more. Now she proposes to sell her birthright for a mess of pottage. Petain cannot possibly believe that the Empire will eventually emerge from the struggle in its old glory, complete and faithful. Therefore he is selling his people into industrial and cultural serfdom for a price that is ridiculously low: a reduction in the payments to the army of occupation, the release to their families and work of a million French soldiers, the re-occupation of part of occupied France, and a promise of Empire for the future.

This ignoble bargain will not captivate the admiration of any

UNITED STATES WILL DEFEND THE PHILIPPINES

Defence of the Philip-transport in case of hostile pines, despite points of both naval action in Philippine strength and weakness, is waters; clearly emerging as a tenet 5. Lack of agricultural of American policy in the self-sufficiency, and of even Far East, the Far Eastern the semblance of industrial Survey has found.

Miss Catherin Porter, re- search expert for the In- stitute of Pacific Relations, has reported on "Prepared- ness in the Philippines" for the survey, and cited official and unofficial evidence of increasingly comprehensive defensive measures for the protection of America's Far Eastern outpost.

The report does not give an opinion as to whether or not the Philippines are strategically dependable, but does disclose that numerous steps have been taken in re- the Moros of Mindanao and cent months to endow the Sulu, and of anti-democratic Islands with increased de- activity among Spaniards. fensive power in the air, on The total effect of these the ground, and in the ac- tivities is generally minimised for the time be- ing, she said.

The relationship between Philippine defence and Philippine Independence is only hinted at, but it is suggested that Corregidor, the great fortress guarding the entrance into Manila Bay, may be far too expensive for the Filipinos to main- tain by themselves, after Independence comes in 1946.

Minorities

The alien minorities, in- cluding both Japanese and Spanish, have thus far not constituted a problem to de- fence efforts, but they might become one, the research expert indicated.

Special emphasis is placed on Miss Porter's observation that the Filipinos them- selves have risen to the occasion and are whole- heartedly pledged to the cause of defence of demo- cracy.

"The morale and attitude of the rank and file of the Filipinos themselves have been above question," the writer said.

The report quoted exten- sively from an editorial in a chain of Filipino news- papers defining the Filipino stake in the world conflict, concluding that "the cause of Britain, the cause of Free France, the cause of the Chinese people, and the cause of the United States, is our cause."

Weaknesses

Miss Porter listed weak- nesses in Philippine defence as:

1. Lack of sufficient arms and ammunition for Philip- pine reserves;
2. Lack of adequate air defences;
3. Concentration of forti- fications and forces on the Island of Luzon;
4. Difficulties of inter- island communication and

Frenchmen of spirit, and though Britain has little inclination to integrate further that un- happy people she will broadcast everywhere the honourable al- ternative to this betrayal: sup- port for General de Gaulle's Free French Forces on land, sea and in the air.

people would be important for Japanese manufactured goods. But it would be unlikely that Japan would seek to conquer these markets by costly military means, especially at a time when the easier path of friend- ly trade and peaceful penetra- tion was opening more widely. The gradual closing of the United States free market to large Philippine exports seemed logically to promise closer economic co-operation between Japan and the Philippines after 1946. In the interim, business as usual would be sufficiently attractive to both.

"Even after the China in- cident began in the summer of 1937, it was still believed that Japan had her hands full on the

Special to the "Telegraph"

By **Julius C. Edelstein**

United Press Staff Correspondent

Moreover, a market of 17 million mainland of Asia and that the Soviet Union and China would offer sufficient diversion, to en- sure Japan's southward drive's continuing along friendly com- mercial lines.

Unusual Activity

Other highlights of the re- port are:

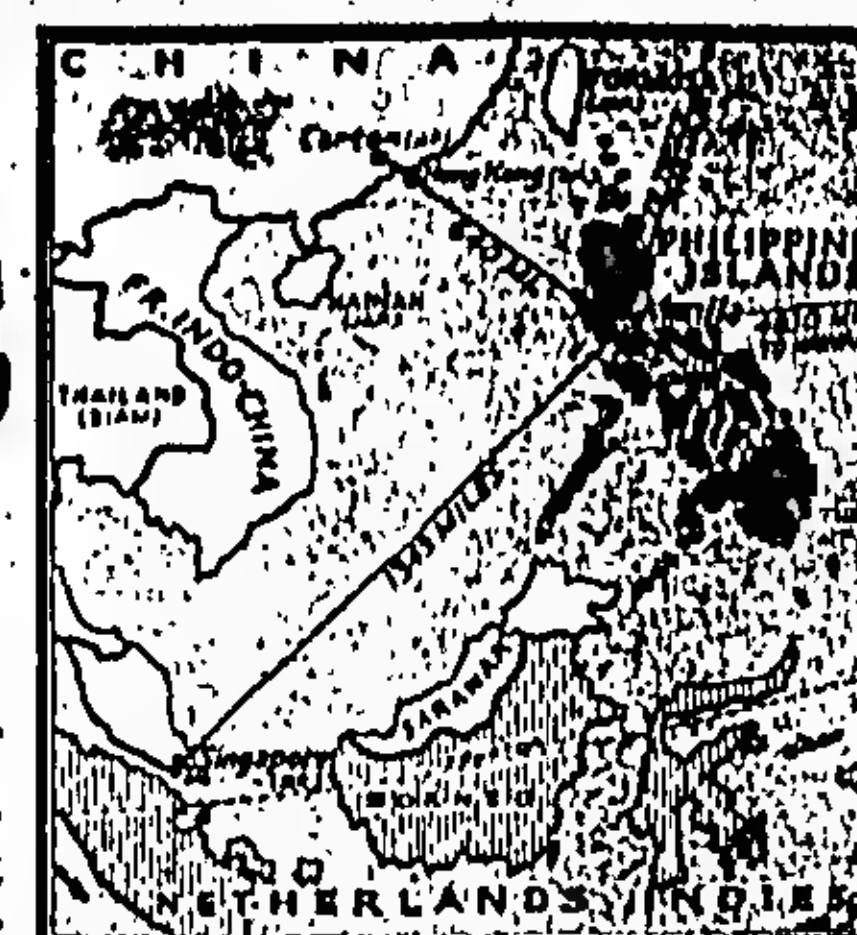
"The early months of 1941 have seen much unusual activity in the Philippines. American military forces in the Islands have been steadily augmented; American cruisers have been making large deliveries of aero- plane parts and munitions; wives and children of United States Army and Navy men have been leaving by every transport. In January the entire island of Luzon, largest and most important in the Archipelago, was the scene of large-scale manoeuvres of United States Army troops, which were considered unusu- ally significant.

"At the end of March a large number of Filipino reserves, possibly 100,000 men, were un- dergoing active duty training under the direction of the Philippine Army. The word "mobilisation" was not used in connection with the call to training, lest the term unduly excite the civilian population. In the first week of April the annual registration of men of 20 years of age was held. It was estimated that some 100,000 Filipinos would register, from whom the yearly class of trainees for the reserve forces would be drawn.

"Many thoughtful persons have heretofore discounted the possibility of the Philippines' being the object of aggression. Japan, for many years con- sidered a potential menace in the whole area, has strong ties of friendship and of commercial interest in the Philippines. There are many things in the Islands which Japan needs, such as hemp, lumber and ores.

Mosquito Boats

Since England is out of the picture as a source of further equipment of this type, the Commonwealth Government is now considering the possibility of building its own mosquito boats, one of which is under construc- tion. Philippine materials can



be used; only the engine, it is said, will have to be imported. When one considers the 7,000 islands of the Philippine archi- pelago, the many bays, channels and seas that surround and separate the islands, it is ap- parent that a small fleet of mos- quito boats, without the aid of larger equipment, would be hard pressed to cripple major naval units.

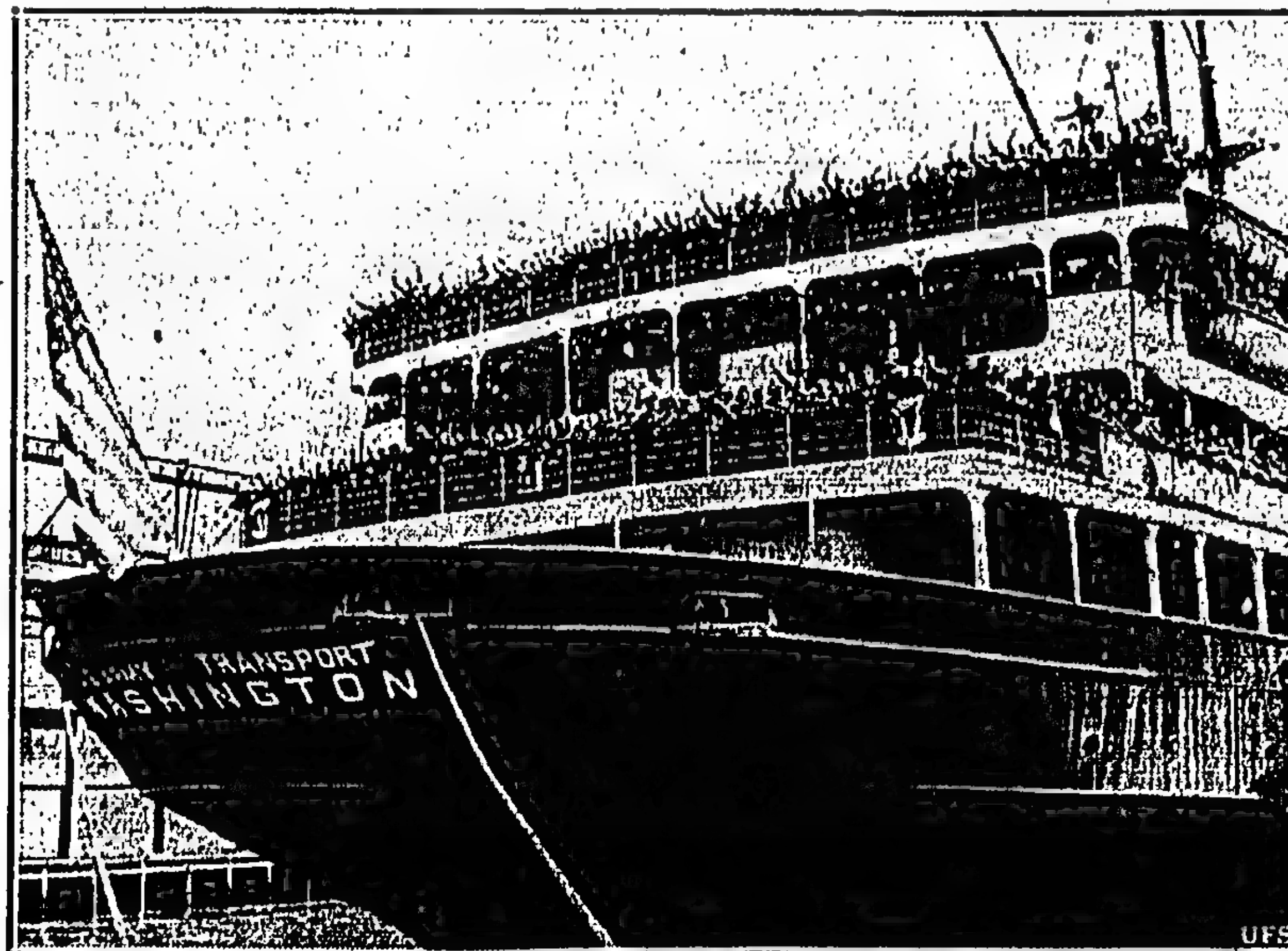
"If it were possible for an enemy to land troops at some point on Lingayen Gulf to the north, or on Lamon Bay on the eastern coast of Luzon, they would then have to meet the difficulties of unfamiliar terrain, swamps and poor roads, and would be faced with the armed forces of the Islands. Close co-operation between the United States and the Philippine Armies has been particularly noted of late, no important decision being made by the latter without the approval of the Commander of the Philippine Department of the United States Army.

The numerical strength of the United States Army in the Philippines was probably about 10,000 men; 4,000 of them are American troops, the remainder Philippine Scouts in the pay of the United States Government. Arrivals in the last few months of officers and enlisted men from the United States have in- creased the number. On February 2, of this year, the United States Army announced that it would take into its ser- vice in the Philippines more re- servists for a year of additional training in the Philippine Scouts.

Guerillas

"These men, with the excep- tion of the new recruits, are hardened troops, all presumably well-equipped, with years of training behind them. They are augmented by the regular Philippine Army, numbering to- day 466 officers and 3,665 en- listed men, plus some 4,000 in the constabulary. The reserve force, with some 132,000 men organised into about 13 tactical divisions, is very poorly equip- ped, and the men have had only six months of regular active training. Their familiarity with the territory and with guerilla tactics (Americans who had to face Filipino guerilla fighting in the first years of occupation testify to its effectiveness) par- tially outweighs some of the ap- parent deficiencies of the force.

"Obviously, the Common- wealth has only a skeleton de- fence force and one which could not, unaided, hold off a major attacking force for long. But small as the Commonwealth de- fence effort is in these days of astronomical figures, it may safely be assumed that the United States is making more ample provision for the island's protection in the present emer- gency than is commonly known."



TROOP FERRY—Harbour craft whistles shrilled good-bye as the former liner Wash- ington, now an Army transport, left New York with more than 3,000 men aboard for Panama, Hawaii and the Philippines. This was the largest contingent of soldiers to leave the Brooklyn Army base since the last World War.

EUROPE AFTER WAR IS WON

Sikorski Sells Federation

LONDON, May 19 (Reuter).—"The doctrine of a future Europe consisting of five or six federated blocs working together and working in such a way that no one bloc would ever be in a position to achieve hegemony in Europe was very well received in America, and was found to be highly reassuring," said General Sikorski, Polish Prime Minister, who returned recently from the United States.

General Sikorski discussed with President Roosevelt this plan to ensure a peaceful and prosperous Europe, and the General says that America is deeply interested in the after-war reconstruction of Europe.

He also told a reporter, "All the official matters that I went over to raise have been satisfactorily settled. In Canada we have signed several agreements of a military as well as financial character, as a result of which within a month or two military camps will be in being there."

S. Shansi Battle Favours Chinese

CHUNGKING, May 20 (Reuter).—While admitting that one Chinese divisional commander, General Wang Chun, was killed in action in the Chuntinshan battle in Southern Shansi province, a Chinese military spokesman to-day denied the Japanese allegation that two Chinese army corps and one divisional commander were killed and one Deputy Divisional Commander was taken prisoner.

He added: "With the fighting at Chuntinshan on such a large scale, there is bound to be heavy casualties on both sides. After a fortnight of desperate fighting in which the Japanese suffered heavy casualties, the situation is now developing in the Chinese favour."

Japanese Brought Down
CHENGDU, May 21 (Central News).—A Japanese pursuit plane was brought down during an air raid over Chengdu yesterday, it is officially announced by the Chengdu Air Defence Headquarters.

More than 60 planes of the 12th and 13th Air Squadrons of the Japanese Navy flew into Szechwan from Hupuli around 8 a.m. While the bombers attacked Langshan and Ipin, eastern Szechwan towns, dumping the explosives indiscriminately, 21 pursuits in two groups headed for Chengdu.

Arriving over the Szechwan provincial capital at 11.10 a.m. they circled over the city. While flying low over the southern part of the city, one group composed of 12 machines was fired at by Chinese anti-aircraft guns. One machine No. 762 of the Boeing type was hit and crashed at Pelyangchang in the district of Hunyang, south of Chengdu.

STOCK EXCHANGE

Moderate Turnover

LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—On the Stock Exchange to-day, the turnover was moderate. Industrials encountered selective buying for investment with further enquiry on textile preference issues.

Shipping continued its upward trend. Chief interest centred on Indo-China deferred, which advanced from 95s to 102s 6d. Gilt-edged shares showed fractional losses.

Foreign bonds were mainly firm. Japanese bonds attracted more attention as also did certain Argentine issues.

Kaffirs were firm. Wall Street was lethargic.

BRAVE NEW ZEALANDERS

LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—The New Zealand Premier, Mr. Peter Fraser, reviewing the New Zealand troops who have returned from Greece, told them: "I know that you are all ready to perform a similar task if called upon."

IMMIGRATION COMMISSION FINDINGS

The report of the Immigration Department Commission has been forwarded to the Secretary of State for the Colonies, who has given telegraphic instructions that the report is not to be published until he has had an opportunity of reading it, states a Government communiqué.

Misfortune Follows Breese Family

LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—The announcement to-day that Flying Officer Henry Francis Dempster Breese is missing marks a triple family tragedy of war.

His father, Air Vice-Marshal C. D. Breese, was killed on active service as the result of a flying accident. It was announced in March. His elder brother, Flight Lieutenant J. G. Breese, is a prisoner of war in Germany.

LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—The International Rubber Regulation Committee has fixed the quota for the third quarter at 100 per cent. unchanged.



THEY TOOK IT ALONG—The Italians set up a stone marking the boundary of Kenya and Italian Somaliland. When the Italians were on the run, a company of British Royal West Africans came along and saw the stone. One of them thought it was something to take home, so he did, as above.

Franco Trains Youth To Be Party Tools

Spain's youth is in training to become a militant arm of the Falange—the Spanish equivalent of Nazis or Fascists—and play a star role in the "new order" through which Generalissimo Franco hopes to restore the nation's ancient glory, reports Associated Press.

By an official decree, General Franco has established the "Youth Front" to regiment and train the boys and girls of Spain from childhood until they reach the age to enter the Army or marry.

MIDWIVES DEFY BOMBS

Two midwives have been awarded the medal of the Civil Division of the Order of the British Empire for courage in attending women in childbirth during raids.

Mrs. Mary Farr, of Portsmouth, protected a mother-to-be with her own body while bombs were exploding near the house.

At one time the surrounding destruction was so great that it seemed the badly damaged house was about to collapse on nurse and patient. The baby was born during the raid.

The other midwife is Mrs. Evelyn Leaver, of Manchester. For more than 20 years she had abandoned her profession. Then, at the height of a heavy raid, came a call for a doctor and midwife. Neither could be reached, an appeal was made to Mrs. Leaver.

Patient in Cellar
Though bombs were shaking the district, she answered the call without hesitation. Not far from the house where the patient was lying a gas main was ablaze.

In the house itself the hall and staircase had been wrecked and pipes fractured, so that water poured through the ceilings.

Mrs. Leaver got the patient to the cellar, where she attended her until a doctor arrived.

DOCKYARD

Reassessing Wages Of Chargemen

LONDON, Apr. 20. Sir Robert Gower, K.C.M.G., M.P., who is Chairman of the Dockyard Members' Parliamentary Committee, recently asked the First Lord of the Admiralty if he could give him any information with regard to the reassessing of the wages of Chargemen at Hongkong, and Mr. A. V. Alexander now writes to him as follows:

"I enclose a copy of memorandum setting out the changes proposed by the Admiralty which has been communicated to the Chargemen's Association at Hongkong and to the Trade Union side of the Admiralty Industrial Council. The views of these two bodies will have to be put into effect and this will inevitably take some time."

DR A. R. WELLINGTON

News has been received in Hongkong about a former Director of Medical Services, Dr A. R. Wellington, C.M.G., who had been for some time in unoccupied France. Dr Wellington not long ago returned to London, where he has obtained an appointment with the Ministry of Health.

FIANCE TOOK HER CLOTHES

A 21-year-old girl was found recently standing under a street light in a residential section of Washington. All she wore was an engagement ring. She told police her fiancé took her clothes when she refused to return the ring.

HAT-TRICK PILOT FREED

Winner of the R.A.F. Fighter Pilot cup in 1936, a South African flight lieutenant, who last October performed the "hat-trick" by shooting down three Italian planes in one day, has been released from captivity in Mogadishu, capital of Italian Somaliland, as a result of the British capture of the town.

He had been in hospital there for three months with a serious foot injury. He said that while he was engaged with Italian fighters over Daidia, Libya, on Dec. 29, an enemy machine came up from below, badly damaged his aircraft and wounded him in the foot.

He landed by parachute and was taken in an Italian plane to Mogadishu.

Co-ordination Move
The Youth Front, the decree emphasised, is designed to assure the organisation and discipline of generations to come "in the Catholic, Spanish and militant spirit proper to the Spanish Falange," co-ordinating pre-military education with the political tenets of the Falange, the only political party permitted in the Franco Government.

Foreign Minister Ramon Serrano Suner, head of the Falange and leading advocate of closer collaboration between Spain and the Axis powers, will play a dominant role in the Youth Front.

The boys are divided into four age groups, from 7 to 11 years, from 11 to 15, from 15 to 18, and from 18 until the age of entry into the Army.

Girls are organised into one section, from 7 to 17 years.

Decreed Functions
Functions of the Youth Front, as listed by the decree, include political education, pre-military education for boys, initiation into home education for girls, and collaboration in cultural, moral, social and religious education and movements.

To carry on their work the Youth Front-affiliated organisations are to organise and direct camps, colonies, hostels, and classes in which Falangist doctrines play a leading role, and to assist the Government in health, education and labour.

Predicts War's End By Autumn of 1942

The autumn of 1942 will see the end of the War with a negotiated peace, according to Roger W. Babson, internationally famous statistician, whose long range forecasts in the past have been almost unerring in their accuracy.

Mr Babson said that after the negotiated peace he believes there will immediately be a boom of the magnitude of the 1929 boom, lasting until about 1950.

Sacked Musicians Together Again

Sacked men of the Bournemouth Municipal Orchestra are running their own music festival.

Bournemouth—at the cost of 2d. a year per ratepayer—had the best municipal orchestra in Britain, but when war came it was cut from 65 players to 24.

The jobless players formed themselves into the Wessex Philharmonic Orchestra.

Recently, their townsfolk, deprived by the borough of their annual municipal music festival, were invited to a show organised by the Wessex Philharmonic, opened by J. B. Priestley.

Malcolm Sargent conducted the first concert.

Among the other conductors were Sir Adrian Boult, Leslie Howard and Basil Cameron.

SHORTAGE OF HAIRDRESSERS

The war has caused a severe shortage of hair-dressers, and men are now finding it difficult to obtain a "trim." A lot of barbers have gone into munition factories, and there are no youths coming into the trade to take their place.

FOOLING THE FRENCH

H'tler Gives His Word

ZURICH, May 19 (Reuter).—An official German communiqué regarding Franco-German negotiations is expected to-day, according to the Berlin correspondent of the "Bavarian Nachrichten."

Berlin assures the German public that concessions made to Vichy will not cancel any of the essential parts of the armistice terms.

Path of Treason
LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—Henri Bernstein, eminent French dramatist, in a letter to the "New York Times" states, "When Marshal Petain orders the French people to follow him along the path of honour he is actually suggesting that they follow him down the road to treason."

"What he intends that our country should do is to place itself in complete dependence on its mortal enemy, Germany."

"England has kept her promise to France. She has done more than that. In the hour of defeat, in the hour when we left her alone on the field of battle, she revealed herself to be a most generous friend. No word of reproach fell from the lips of her statesmen."

Conscription For N. Ireland

Nazi Bombing Reduces Nationalist Opposition

BELFAST, May 20 (Reuter).—Conscription is to be imposed in Northern Ireland and the Government's decision to implement it will be announced shortly by the Prime Minister, Mr. J. M. Andrews.

Northern Ireland was omitted from the Statute of the Conscription Act imposed in Britain in 1939 on account of the strong representation made to the Government by Mr. Eamon de Valera, who stated that if imposed, it would lead to strong opposition from the Nationalist minority in Northern Ireland.

Position Changed
The position has changed since then with the bombing of Belfast, in which the homes of all Parties were bombed alike and assistance was given from fire by their fire and ambulance services.

It does not look, therefore, that there will be any great stirring of the minority public opinion in Northern Ireland when the decision is announced.

Dobbie Takes Charge Of Malta

LONDON, May 19 (Reuter).—Major-General Sir William George Sheddin Dobbie, known as the modern "Gordon" owing to his religious fervour, has, the Colonial Office announced, been appointed Governor of Malta.

Sir William has been administering the Government of Malta since he assumed command of the troops in April 1940, with the exception of a short period in May 1940 immediately before General Sir Charles Bonham-Carter left the Colony.

General Dobbie was previously G.O.C. Malaya.

Arrest Of 47 Ex-Night Soil Coolies

It is announced that 47 of the ex-night soil coolie demonstrators, who attacked members of the police force at the Post Office building yesterday have been arrested. These include the five delegates who were granted an interview by the Hon. Mr. W. J. Carver, Chairman of the Urban Council.

One of the arrested women is now in hospital suffering from injuries to the head received during a quarrel.

The Indian constable whose hand was badly bitten received treatment at a hospital, but was not detained.

American Bombers In Western Desert

LONDON, May 19 (Reuter).—Aircraft manufactured in the United States have been used as bombers in the North African campaign for the first time. They participated in an air bombardment of an enemy position around Fort Capuzzo on the afternoon of May 18, it is revealed by an Air Ministry news service.

Heavy bombs were dropped on German tanks and mechanical vehicles were dispersed near the old Capuzzo aerodrome.

The squadron in question has an American citizen on its nominal roll. He is a Sergeant Air Gunner who has received the Distinguished Flying Medal for gallantry in the Abyssinian campaign.

Capitulation Of Aosta: Comment By Axis

ZURICH, May 20 (Reuter).—A "some correspondent writing of the Duke of Aosta, says "capitulation" need not convey and profound emotion" in Rome where his prolonged resistance was hailed to have prevented the British from withdrawing troops for use in Libya.

However, according to the "New York Times," Berlin circles say that Aosta's capitulation was unnecessary because the main part of the British forces in Abyssinia had been withdrawn long ago and had been sent to Libya and Iran.

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Window Black-out Hid Hotel Fire: Seven Die

BLACKED-OUT windows prevented passers-by from seeing that a serious fire had started in the Surrey Hills Hotel, Caterham, recently.

Not until the flames burst away the black-out material and burst from the windows was the outbreak noticed.

Seven people lost their lives, including Mrs. Doris Ponting, the proprietress.

Mr. W. L. McArthur, of Wanstead, one of the guests, was seen on the lawn at the back of the hotel, but he went back into the flames to try to save others. His body was found in a doorway.

The Heroine

Dr. Elizabeth Frances M. Clark, honorary divisional surgeon to the local St. John Brigade, who lived at the hotel, was the heroine of the fire. She was awakened by smoke and the crackling of timbers. She smashed her window to get air, then made her way along a passage to rouse the others.

Smoking burning timbers which fell about her, she crawled through

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Around The Courses

Some New Ideas About Bunkers

Normal Lay-out Presents Greatest Difficulty for Duffers

Lost Ball in Penalty Ditch

(By "Birdie")

BLAST, BLAST, BLAST, in bunkers and out of them, and if nothing can assuage the pent up feelings of the golfer who has left his footprint, if not in the sands of time, then in most of the sand hazards of his course, let the words of Gene Sarazen and Paul Runyan soothe.

They are two of America's leading golfers and, therefore, should know something about what they are saying. There is the contention that golf courses to-day are too tough for the duffer and too easy for the professional. And it's all a matter of sand bunkers.

Runyan would remove them entirely, while Sarazen, not so drastic in mind, favours moving them to catch the poor shots for the better players rather than leave them to add to the mental distractions of the duffer.

"Traps," says Runyan, "when they are raked smooth aren't hazards to the professionals. Any pro in a trap beside a reasonably flat green expects to get down in two, at the most three, strokes. The high-scoring player may take that number to get out and probably as many more to go down."

Sarazen says that a flock of traps 150 yards from the tee will cause untold suffering among the average players, whereas the pros and top-notchers will probably not see them at all.

"Why," he argues, "not put the traps down the fairway where the better players will see them and be likely to land, but where they will not bother the beginner who cannot drive that far?"

Though we may hold divided opinions about bunkering the greens, there is much to be said for the placing of the traps on the fairways. Cases in point, perhaps, are bunkers

on the 1st and 9th fairways at Kowloon and the 5th at the Country Club.

"Little Hongkong" is a sand-ringed hillock at the junction of the 1st and 9th fairways at Kowloon, but it offers little in the way of a hazard to the better players, but to the women and the slicing beginner only its comparatively small size prevents it from occupying the whole of their mental horizon.

The sand trap on the 5th at Sheungshui, too, is no hazard to the better players there, but it covers the whole of the approach for the women and beginners.

These, however, are features of the courses mentioned, and their removal would upset the balance—even if people wanted them taken away, which I doubt. But there must be many courses in the world where much stronger cases for the duffers could be made out.

WHAT is the penalty for a lost ball in a penalty ditch?

Rule 22 states: "(1) Except as provided for in Rule 27, if a ball is lost or is deemed by the player to be unplayable, the player shall play his next stroke as nearly as possible at the spot from which the ball which is lost or unplayable was played, adding a penalty stroke to the score for the hole.

If the stroke was played from the teeing-ground, a ball may be teed; if, though the green or a hazard it shall be dropped, and if on the putting green it shall be placed."

Rule 27 reads: "If a ball lie or be lost in a recognised water hazard (whether the ball lie in water or not) or in casual water in a hazard, the player may drop a ball, under penalty of one stroke, either (a) behind the hazard, keeping the spot at which the ball crossed the margin of the hazard between himself and the hole, or (b) in the hazard, keeping the spot at which the ball entered the water between himself and the hole. If the ball was played from the teeing ground a ball may be teed, under penalty of one stroke, as nearly as possible at the spot from which the original ball was played."

Now this penalty ditch had water in it, but not very deep, and as I read it, the penalties are two strokes—one for the ditch itself, and another for dropping another ball. Had the player chosen to tee up his ball in or behind the hazard, the penalty would have been increased to three strokes (one for the ditch and two for teeing up).

Local Baseball's Grand Opening On June 7

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL in the Colony will get under way with a bang on Saturday June 7, when His Excellency the Governor of Hongkong, it is hoped, will throw out the first ball to start the season in classic style.

At the general pop meeting last evening, Larry Lawrence was once again unanimously elected president for the coming campaign and all figures point toward a real banner season.

With entries slated to close on Friday May 30, seven ball-tossing teams have already entered, with the U.S. Minutemen and the mighty Tulsa team making it a two-team entry from the American ocean shores.

Change Over

THE MIGHTY "T" are expected to play in collaboration with the U.S. Asheville who will fill in for the terrific Tusmen when they are away from the Colony.

Other teams already booked to join in the pennant chase and cash in with a try at the Bagran Shield are—Dun Rutton's high-powered H.B. Brewers, Chung Hwa Maroons' all-Chinese nine, Flatbush "hot potato" Royal Engineers, the Hongkong Baseball Club and South China's Caroline Hillers.

With special permission from the Military authorities, all games will be played at the green-pastured Chatham Road ball stadium in Kowloon, and a large clubhouse grandstand is slated to be constructed before the gala march to the flag-pole.

The following were elected officers.—President, Mr. D. C. Lawrence; Vice-President, "Doc" Molthan; Hon. Secretary, Mr. Roy Lau; Hon. Treasurer, Mr. H. A. Barros; Committee, Mr. J. Velford (Royal Engineers), Mr. P. K. Lau (Chung Wah), Mr. C. W. Wagoner (Hongkong Baseball), Mr. H. Winglee (South China), Paymaster Usher (Tulsa), Mr. P. J. Tonnachy (Hongkong Beer), Lt. S. Goodman (Minutemen).

Max Baer Abed With Fractured Vertebra

SACRAMENTO.—A cracked vertebra the fighter said he received in his recent meeting with Lou Nova has put Max Baer to bed.

Dr. Junius B. Harris, ordering indefinite confinement for the former heavyweight champion, said his condition might prove serious. The injury is at the base of Baer's neck. Nova won the New York fight by an eighth-round technical knockout.

Wrestling Champion Defeated Twice

Tokyo, May 19. Grand Champion Futabayama, mightiest of sumo wrestling giants, whose defeat by the youngster Sakurabishi on May 16 caused a sensation, took the bitter pill of defeat again yesterday, this time from Ayanohori. At the conclusion of yesterday's matches, the West camp, captained by Futabayama, was leading the East team by five victories with 194 points.—Domei.

American P.G.A. Celebrates Twenty-fifth Birthday

LONDON, May 4 (Reuter).—Tempus Fugit! It is hard to realize that a quarter of a century has passed since the birth of the American Professional Golfers' Association. But it has, and news of their Silver Jubilee celebrations reminds one of that day in 1916, during another world war, when the Association was born in New York.

The intervening years have been marked by steady progress and, to-day, America's P.G.A. can claim to be of equal strength to the British P.G.A., which came into being 40 years ago.

It does not take a great deal of thought to perceive the value of such bodies. Apart from the organisation of tournaments, they aid their members in every way, from assistance given when hard times are encountered—the British P.G.A. Benevolent Fund has worked wonders in this respect—to legal advice on knotty problems.

Aid to Pros.

A TOURNAMENT run by a ruling body is always more official than one of those held for publicity purposes, and even the latter are watched over by the Association, which looks after the interests of the professionals.

It is obvious, therefore, that there would probably be far fewer tournaments were it not for the Associations, and that would mean less prize money.

Golf, from the angle of a profes-

sional's earnings, depends to a large extent on prize-funds, the competitors rarely having an interest in the proceeds of "the gate" as in some sports.

In these days of non-competitive golf in Great Britain, the British Association remains in being, ready to carry on its good work when the war is over. They have sent greetings to their American cousins.

Difficulties Surmounted

THE formation of the American body was not easy when considering the large area to be embraced, and the difficulties seemed to be insurmountable.

Sectional bodies were formed, however, and this eased matters. Each section became strong, giving loyal support to the main body, and it did not take long for the United States G.A. to recognise the value of the professionals.

Well organized, they were real allies for maintaining golf in the forefront of sport in the New World. The latest gesture shown by the American P.G.A. towards Britain is the subscription of sufficient money to present a Red Cross ambulance to the British Red Cross.



Pte Williams breasting the tape for the Army in the 1,600 metres relay of the Army-Combined Chinese athletic meet at Caroline Hill on Sunday.—Ming Yuen.

"Y" And Signals Win Opening Games Of Water-polo League

START of the new water-polo tournament was made yesterday in the Army Pool, where the European Y.M.C.A. beat Middlesex team 5-2, and Royal Corps of Signals defeated the Royal Navy "C" 2-0.

Y.M.C.A. fielded their usual team with the exception of Sloan, making a re-appearance after several years and he proved his worth. Middlesex were weakened by the absence of Ure, who was indisposed, Birdsey and Jones.

The Diehards, however, fully extended Y.M.C.A. and had the better of the second half when the Diehards slackened, the pace in the earlier stages having a telling effect. The game was interesting although one-sided in the first half as Y.M.C.A. led 3-0. In the second half, Middlesex attacked in the deep-end and taking advantage of their slower opponents, scored when Benn was ordered out for drifting.

They netted their second, the best goal of the match through Hymas, who scored from just under the halfway distance when Middlesex took advantage of the slow swim up and marking of Y.M.C.A.

There was little to choose between the goalkeepers but Goodair, of running fame, had more to do. Hailton was the pick of the backs, although Hymas played a splendid defensive game defending the deep end.

"Y" Advantage

Y.M.C.A. had the advantage of speed and utilised this in the opening minutes when Benn and May (3) scored. Hailton added the other goal in the second half, May and Benn played sound attacking games, although the latter was a trifle too robust in tackling. Willis was slow in getting the ball away to his forwards and Goodman was weak in marking in the second half.

Y.M.C.A.—H. C. Eardley; L. A. Bonn, F. Willis; E. W. Hailton; C. Sloan, A. F. May, H. Goodair, Hymas, Blandon, Jennings, Plummer, Burdge, Quickenden.

R. C. S. 2 Navy "C" 0

Signals, winners of the Army Large Units League, beat Navy "C" after leading 1-0 at the interval. The game was remarkable for the close-marking by the sailors, who gave very little away.

Hunt gave the Signals the lead in the first half, and Allen completed their tally in the second. Despite superiority in speed, the Signals were never given much scope for manoeuvring and their goals were the result of opportunistic play.

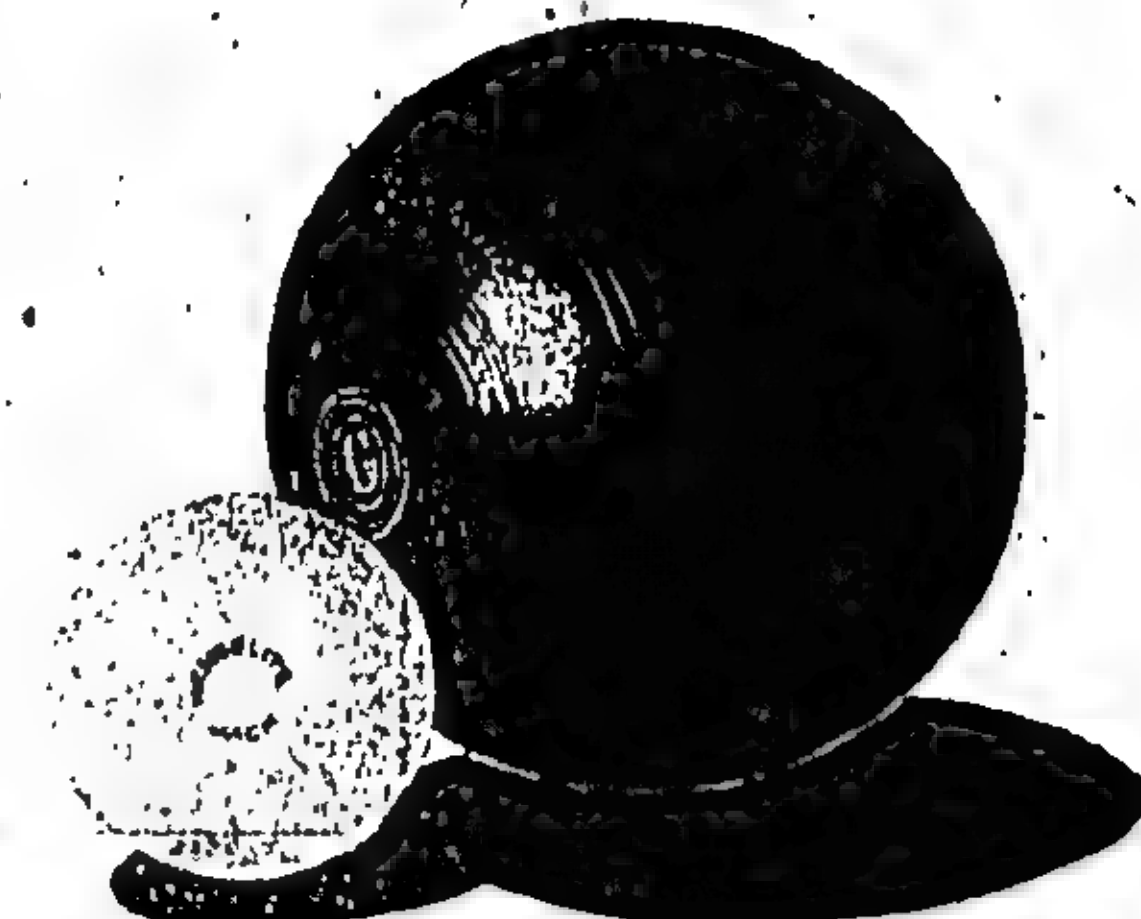
The match scheduled for the Navy pool to-morrow between Navy A and 905th Bty will be played in the Navy pool on Saturday afternoon.

ENTRIES FOR POLO CLUB GYMKHANA JUMPING EVENT

The following are the owners and entries for the Hongkong Polo Club's Show Jumping event at the Gymkhana to be held on Saturday, at the Polo ground, Boundary Street, commencing at 3 p.m.

"A" Class (China ponies).—Canary (Capt. Whitaker), Darius (Capt. K. Stenfield), Double Chance (Capt. F. J. T. Skipwith), Herra (J. C. A. Gundersen), Lady Luck (Cottage Club), March Brown (J. T. Stanton), Shave (H. A. Lewis), Trojan (L. A. Lewis), Three Farthings (Mrs. J. Whitaker).
"B" Class (Australian ponies).—Hippo (Mrs. P. J. T. Skipwith), Brutus (J. T. Skipwith), Canberra Girl (Mrs. W. T. Stanton), Dora (Capt. Reid), Euston (Cottage Club), George (Lieut. E. A. Bonpas), Horalie (D. O'Connor), King (Lieut. H. Marsh), Lady Precious Stream (J. T. Stanton), Prince, Bridge (D. G. E. Atkinson), Queen of Sheba (Capt. A. Atkinson), Spectrum (Mrs. J. T. Skipwith), Winners' Tale (Capt. F. J. T. Skipwith), Sarah (Capt. L. J. A. Fadden).

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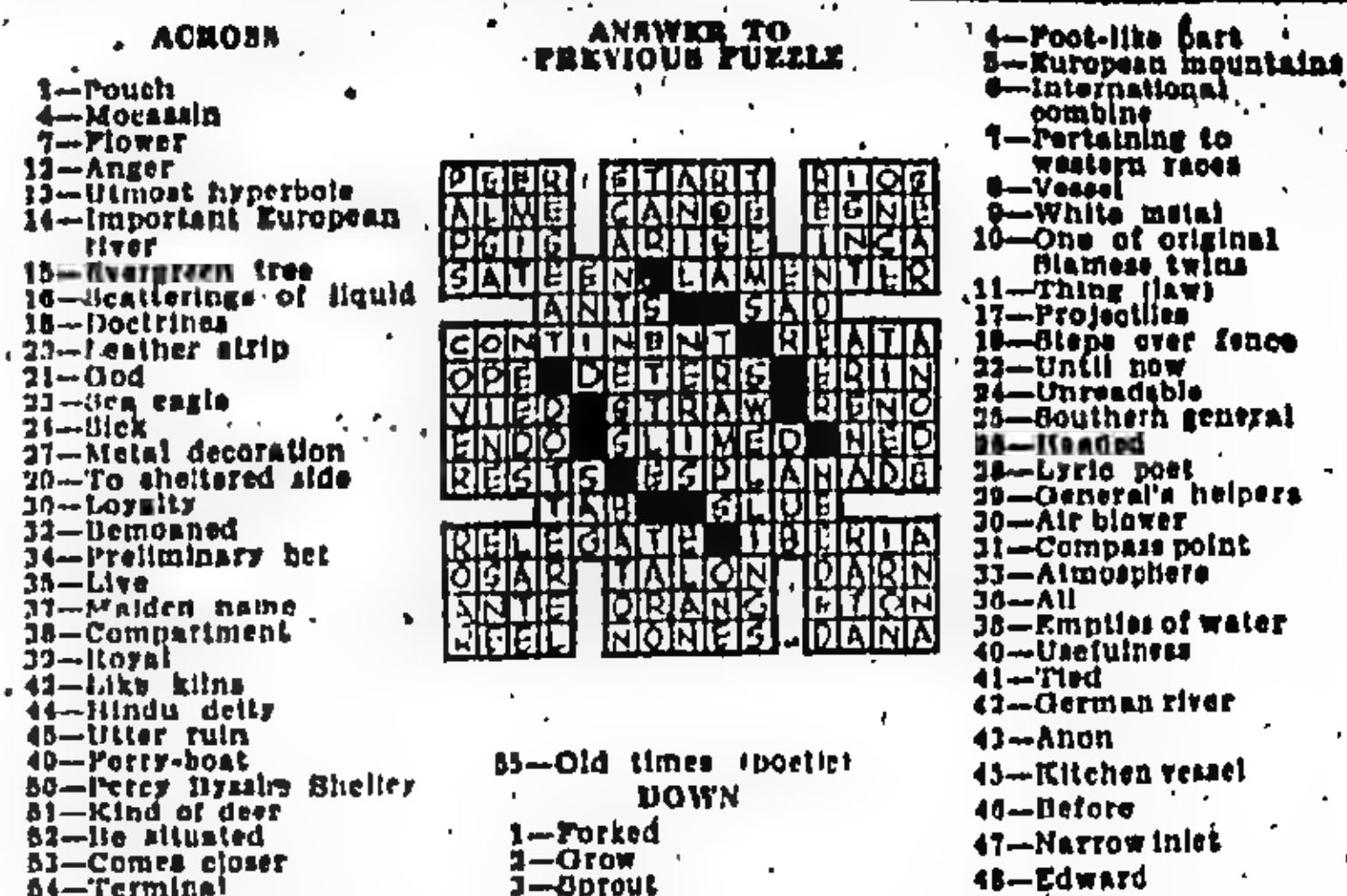
NANCY



By Ernie Bushmiller

Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS



Two Women Vanish At The Yard

Scotland Yard is trying to solve a mystery in its midst. The problem is: What happened to two young women who entered the building and then vanished?

During a recent air raid the women hailed a taxi at Victoria Station and told the driver to take them to Scotland Yard. When they arrived they ordered the driver to wait, appeared to speak to the policeman on duty at the main gates, and walked across the quadrangle towards the entrance.

The driver waited for over an hour and then inquired about his passengers. The building was searched, but no trace of the two women was found.

Forms which visitors to Scotland Yard are required to fill in were checked, but there was no record of anyone answering to the women's descriptions.

The officers on duty at the time have submitted reports. There appears to be no doubt that the women entered, but how they got out is not known. Since the air raids began only one entrance and exit has been in use.

Noted Chinese Painting

May Be Shown Here

A rare Chinese masterpiece of art, the "Ha San Yeuk Yue To" (Summer Rain and the Mountains), painted by Kue Yuen, an artist-monk who lived about 980 A.D., has been acquired by a local collector, Mr. Li Lai-nam. Mr. Li was formerly a faculty member of the National Sun Yat-sen University in Canton, and is widely known for his poetry.

The picture has for many years been in a private collection in Kwei-lin, Kwangsi. It is in the shape of a scroll 10 feet long by one and a half feet wide. In the Ming Dynasty, it was the property of two distinguished scholars, and it also carries a seal of a premier of the same Dynasty. Seals of Ching Dynasty nobilities are also affixed thereon.

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Hemingway Says U.S. Soon Entering War

"Many signs point to America's being in the war quite soon," declared Ernest Hemingway, the novelist and correspondent for "P.M.," when he returned to Manila from Hongkong after a tour of the China war fronts. He declined, however, to hazard a guess as to the probable date.

Questioned on the subject of U.S. convoys across the Atlantic to Great Britain, he replied: "If you send things you must see that they get there."

Mr. Hemingway said that a reporter in these days could hardly take down notes.

"He has to keep everything he sees and hears in his head to escape censorship."

He spent a week in Manila before going to Singapore to join his wife, Martha Gellhorn, who is also touring the Far East as special writer for the magazine, "Collier's."

Letters From Sons

The novelist was handed two letters by the airport manager at Cavite. They were from his two sons by a former marriage. His face lighted up in a broad grin, and he turned to a reporter: "This one is from my 11-year-old boy, in Key West, Florida. Listen to what he says."

"Dear Papa: The rooster is getting meaner every day. Day before yesterday he spurred me. He hit me in a vein and it spouted blood all over. But it is fine now."

The other Hemingway boy, 9, wrote that he had just seen a parade of the American Legion and that it was exciting. He asked Papa if he had been over the Burma Road and said "it must be quite exciting there too."

"I think he writes better than Papa," Hemingway said, roaring with laughter.

CHANGED WILL 18 TIMES

Eighteen times in the last nine years Miss Louisa Gertrude Boothby Heathcote changed her mind and altered her will.

She died in September, aged 85, leaving £109,354. Her will, dated March 1932, has 18 codicils.

She left £1,600, furniture, and an annuity of £300 to Alice Graham, her lady's maid, with an additional £200 a year if still in her service. To Gordon Stewart, chauffeur, she left £150 and £400 a year.

Two Years' Wages

More annuities, from £50 to £120, go to some other servants. Others receive one and two years' wages each.

Miss Heathcote lived at Friday Hill House, Chingford, Essex, and Norfolk-street, Parklane, W.

She had also a country house at Clevehurst, Stoke Poges, Buckinghamshire.

Record For Captive Herring's Longevity

The fact that the Carnegie Aquarium at Edinburgh Zoological Park holds the world-record for the longevity of captive herring was commented upon by Mr. Matthew C. Thomson, the curator of the aquarium, when addressing the Zoological Park Luncheon Club recently.

"Just before the war," said Mr. Thomson, "the Germans claimed the world's record for keeping herring for 14 days in an inland aquarium, yet at that time I had kept herring for ten months."

"The first time I kept herring they lived from six to eight weeks, but as a result of observation on that occasion I was able to keep a second lot for ten months, and the present lot for three or four days after that."

When Out Of Water

From experience, Mr. Thomson said he knew that herring taken from the water for at least two or three seconds and which breathed the outside air never revived.

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Churchill's Story Of Latest In N. Africa

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British and German troops. It has not, I suppose, been found worthwhile to maintain Italian troops at the end of such a long and precarious line of communication (Laughter).

"The fighting was severe but not on a very large scale. Several of our motorized brigades, supported by armoured brigades and strong artillery, advanced 20 miles from the position where they had deployed for some weeks past and attacked the enemy—taking Sollum, Hellfire Pass and Fort Capuzzo—and the armoured troops had got well round the flank and were well in situation at about 1 p.m. on May 17.

Resolute Counter Attack
"But the Germans launched a resolute counter-attack with about 40 tanks and recaptured Capuzzo. That entailed the withdrawal of the armoured brigades from the advantageous position which they had attained. The operations were, therefore, indecisive.

"The Germans claim 100 British prisoners. We have 500 German prisoners and their losses in tanks and personnel are certainly as heavy, if not heavier, than ours.

"But this operation must be regarded as a background. For over six weeks past, the Germans have been proclaiming that they would shortly be in Suez and have been making much credit with the neutral world by spreading such a statement. It is, therefore, satisfactory to see that we have retained strong offensive power and that fighting is being maintained at any rate on even terms in the advanced areas of the approach to Egypt.

Nazi Raiders May be From Dakar

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Zanzibar passengers have been landed by a German merchant steamer at a West Africa French port. It added that a German warship made a prize of the Zanzibar in the middle of April and sank her after rescuing the passengers and crew.

Hit By Mine, Say Nazis

LONDON, May 19 (Reuters).—Reports reaching London say that the Germans are now circulating reports that the Zanzibar was sunk by a mine. It is pointed out, however, that if she went down in the deep waters of the South Atlantic it is extremely unlikely that mines would have been encountered there, in any case, if she did strike a floating mine or one that had broken adrift, how did the Germans know about it?

On the other hand, this part of the Atlantic is known to be frequented by German pirates and her sinking by torpedo is much more likely.

Germans Taken Over Syrian Railways

FROM PAGE ONE

occupied by German ground staff and in all 20 or more Syrian airports are available for German use, says the Ankara correspondent of the Columbia Broadcasting System.

Fifty Enemy Planes
LONDON, May 20 (Reuters).—About 50 German planes have so far crossed Syria, it is believed here.

Pilots For De Gaulle
LONDON, May 20 (Reuters).—The Cairo correspondent of the Independent French Agency says that a certain number of French planes have been flown over the Syrian frontier by their pilots to join General de Gaulle.

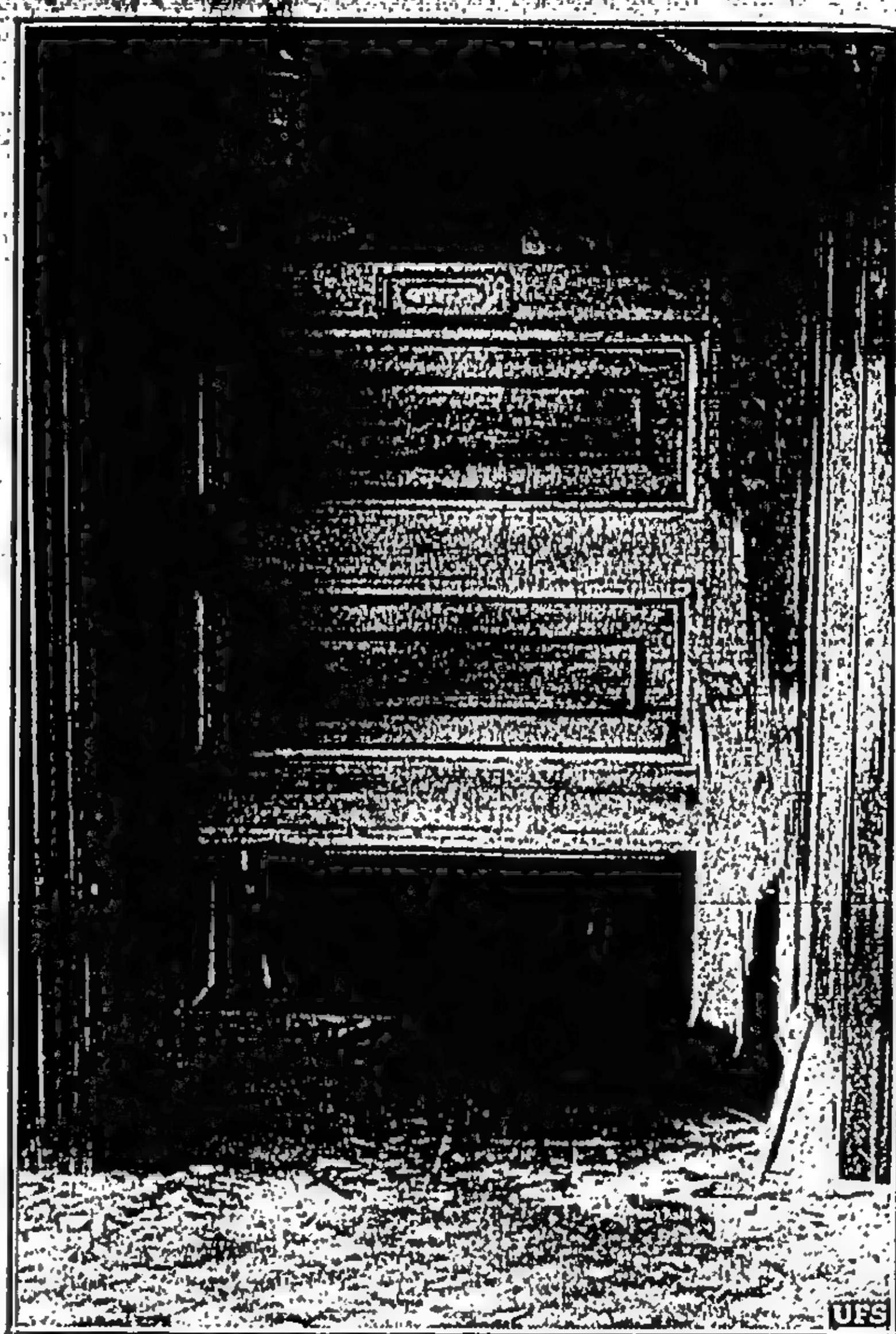
NORWEGIANS MAN U.S. DESTROYERS

Four United States destroyers transferred to Britain under the naval exchange deal are manned by the Norwegian Navy and are under the Norwegian flag, the Norwegian Foreign Minister, Trygve Lie, said in London.

HEARSE IN HURRY

The driver of a motorhearse, Edward William Frost, Enfield Road, Sevenoaks was at Bromley, Kent, recently, fined £1 for speeding in a road outside Eltham End Cemetery.

LATE NEWS



CONSULATE BOMBED—A small bomb wrecked a door of the German consulate in Havana, but there were no casualties. Bomber left a note on the consulate door, reading: "Down with the Nazi-Fascist oppressors of the people."

Defenders Deal With Invaders

FROM PAGE ONE

a rehearsal for the invasion of Britain.

Churchill Amplifies Statement
LONDON, May 20 (Reuters).—Mr Winston Churchill made another surprise statement in the House of Commons today, disclosing the dramatic news that the situation in Crete is now in hand. He recalled that he had earlier in the day mentioned the beginning of a serious attack upon Crete and thought that the House would like to know before it separated what was the latest Government information.

He said: "I cannot pretend that this statement is of momentous importance. It is only because we are altogether and I thought that the House was most anxious that I should keep them fully informed.

"After a good deal of intense bombing of Suda Bay and various aerodromes in the neighbourhood, about 1,500 enemy troops, wearing New Zealand battle dress (Indignant cries) landed by gliders, parachutes and troop-carriers in the Canea-Malmei area.

"This message was sent at noon to-day and the military reported that the situation was in hand.

Latest Reports
"A later report at 3 p.m. says that there is continuous reconnaissance, accompanied by sporadic bombing and machine-gunning, chiefly against the anti-aircraft defences.

"The military hospital between Canea and Malmei, which was captured by the enemy, has now been recaptured.

"A fairly strong enemy party is reported to the south of Canea-Malmei Road, which is not yet mopped up, but other parties are thought to be accounted for.

"It thought that the people would like to hear how the action has so far developed." (Cheers)

Gliders Used

CAIRO, May 20 (Reuters).—The German attack on Crete, which began just before dawn this morning, and which was prefaced by yesterday's heavy air bombardment, had been expected and the appointment of Major-General C. B. Freyberg, V.C., as Commander-in-Chief, together with reinforcement of the defences and manpower, indicates Allied preparedness.

Crete is a considerable menace to the enemy because of its proximity to the mainland, but its capture will prove extremely difficult.

Lacking seapower, Germany must rely on air-borne troops, lacking landing grounds—the island is very mountainous—Germany must rely on parachute troops.

The use of engineless gliders, which can land more easily on uneven ground, was a surprise move but the defenders were not caught unawares.

The British and Allied forces are assisted in the island's defence by the warlike Cretan hillmen, most of whom are accustomed to the constant necessity of fighting to protect their homes.

Formidable Home Guard

Led by "The Captains of the Hills," such as Captain Holyoake, who had killed ten men when he was still only nineteen years old, and the bearded giant, Captain Tan, the hillmen are banded together, armed chiefly with knives and swords. They constitute a formidable "Home Guard" and Intelligence Service and can be relied upon to deal with any Nazi parachute units unfortunate enough to fall into their hands.

Odde Against Parachutists
(BY "REUTERS" DIPLOMATIST CORRESPONDENT)

LONDON, May 20.—The German attempt to establish a foothold on Crete by parachutists and airborne troops is unquestionably a most daring and hazardous move. The chances of success are slender. It can be regarded as a big gamble, but is probably intended as a full dress rehearsal for other invasion plans against Britain.

A guess on German plans from the message available is that they will probably try to take the coastal strip so that blockade runners can

be rushed across from Greek waters while British warships are kept off by heavy air attacks.

Parachutists may also try to seize aerodromes and to panic the population by indiscriminate shooting.

Cretans Good Fighters

Cretans have always been among the best Greek soldiers and it is most unlikely that the Germans will find fifth columnists among them. Although no figures are available of the strength of the British, New Zealand and Greek forces in Crete, there is no reason to doubt that they would be more than a match for any airborne troops, whose numbers are necessarily limited.

R.A.F. & R.N. Handy

The R.A.F. can be relied on to take a severe toll of the heavy Junkers planes, and the Royal Navy, with an anchorage at Suda Bay, should be in a position to maintain a pretty effective blockade against any approach to the Greek coast or the Dodecanese.

Parachutists, who are able to carry ammunition and iron rations for several days, may be able to institute some form of guerilla warfare, but the odds against the invaders are heavy.

Hazardous Undertaking

LONDON, May 20 (UP).—Some idea of the extent to which the Germans prepared to attack Crete is indicated by the estimate that one division landed in the first phase of the operations. A division would require 700 Junker 52s making a trip across for personnel alone, regardless of the big supply formations carrying heavy mortars, heavy machine-guns, anti-tank guns, ammunition and portable light tanks. The number of carriers increases to the proportion of parachute planes and gliders used.

Junker 52s are supposed to carry 14 parachutists but a glider hardly carries over ten soldiers. The number of troops at General Freyberg's disposal is unknown, but it is recalled that the Greeks claimed the evacuation of four divisions from the mainland, and in addition to this there must be a considerable British force accumulated since Britain established bases on the island six months ago.

BERLIN, May 20 (UP).—Up to 7.30 p.m. this evening, German quarters insisted that they were unable to say anything regarding the report that German parachute troops had attacked Crete, but informed circles stated that it was a false assertion that any parachutists were wearing New Zealand uniforms. They stated that a portion of the parachutists were recently outfitted with khaki uniforms, similar to those of the German African Corps, for use in the tropics and warm climates.

Reich-Admiral Gadow in a front page article in the narrow "Deutsche Allgemeine" will point out the victories in Greece and the Aegean Islands, instead of handicapping the Axis, provides them with new starting points. The article concludes that the once vague conception of a land bridge to India has taken on practical significance with the threatened Arabian uprisings and growing anti-British sentiment in Egypt and India.

STRATEGIC SUCCESS IN IRAQ

CAIRO, May 20 (Reuters).—The great strategic value of the Iraq town of Fallujah, captured by the British from the rebels, is stressed in Cairo military circles.

Fallujah bridge is the only crossing of the Euphrates between Habbaniyah and Baghdad. Had this narrow one-way traffic bridge been destroyed—and it was thought that the rebels had mined it—Habbaniyah would have been cut off from British land-borne reinforcements, and since the Euphrates is in full flood, it would have caused considerable embarrassment to the British operations in this area.

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At a meeting of the Legislative Council to-morrow afternoon, the Financial Secretary will move the following resolution:

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The Attorney General is to move the first reading of "A Bill to amend the Prevention of Eviction Consolidation and Amendment Ordinance, 1939," and second and third readings of "A Bill to amend the Post Office Ordinance, 1920."

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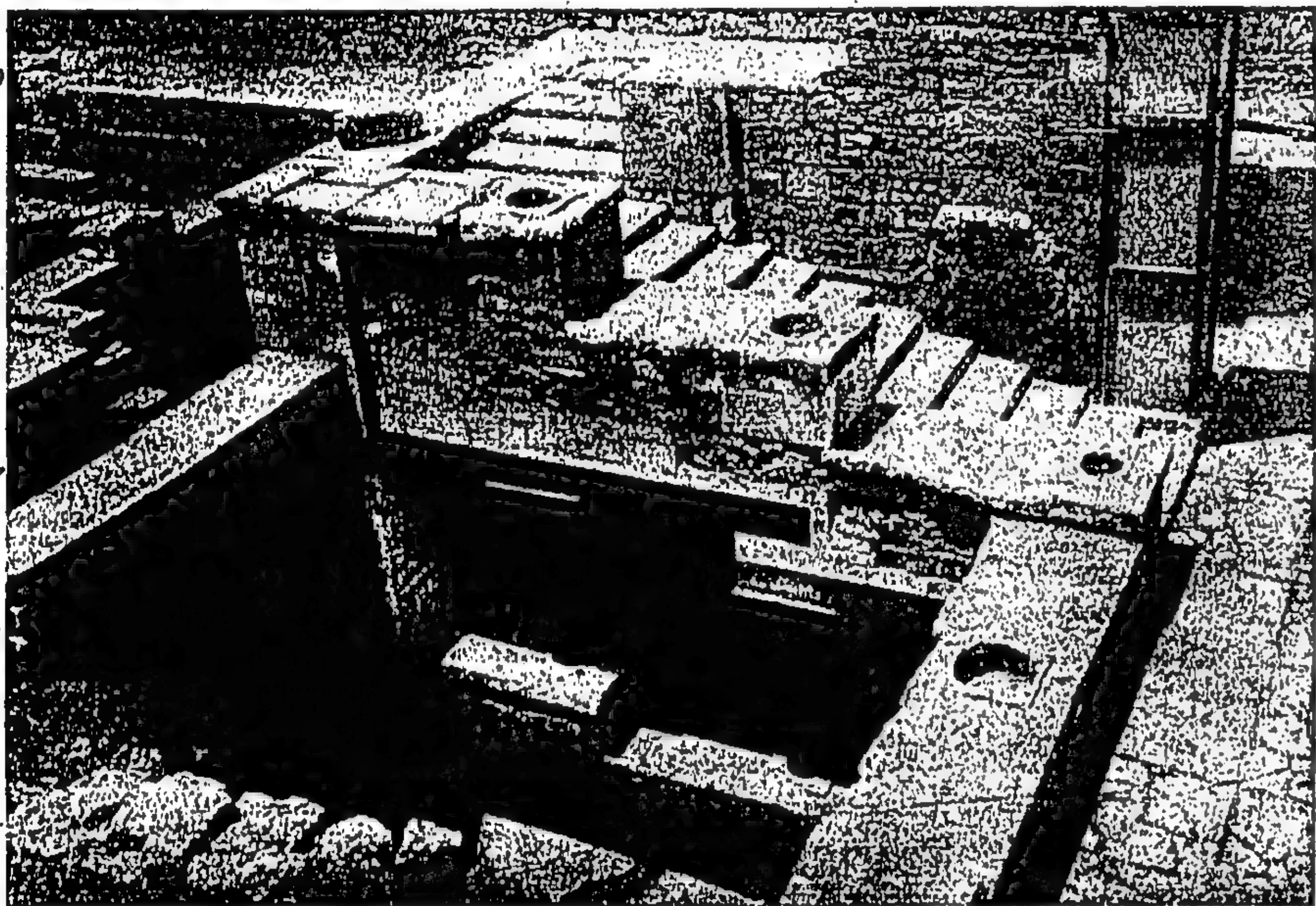
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By MILES HANDLER
Special to the "Telegraph"

LONDON, May 20 (UP).—MURDEROUS GUERRILLA FIGHTING BEGAN TO-DAY AT CRETE WHEN 1,500 GERMAN "SUICIDE" PARACHUTISTS IN WARPLANE CARRIERS AND GLIDERS LANDED ON THE ISLAND BASTION WHICH BARS THE NAZI ROUTE TO SYRIA. REPEATING THE FAMOUS ATTACK ON MAY 10 LAST YEAR ON THE ROTTERDAM AIRFIELD, GERMAN PARACHUTISTS, CLOTHED IN NEW ZEALAND BATTLE DRESS, LANDED AT STRATEGIC POINTS OF THE ISLAND, SEEKING TO DISRUPT THE DEFENDING FORCES AND HOLD POSITIONS UNTIL FURTHER AERIAL REINFORCEMENTS ARRIVED.



According to Mr Churchill's second announcement in the House of Commons, a strong enemy force is still holding out south of the Canea-Maleme road, but the ruthless fighting which resulted in subduing other groups of parachutists is best gauged by the fact that the British and French in the early days of the war warned the Nazis that any fighting in Allied uniforms of their parachutists found or civilian clothes would be treated as spies.

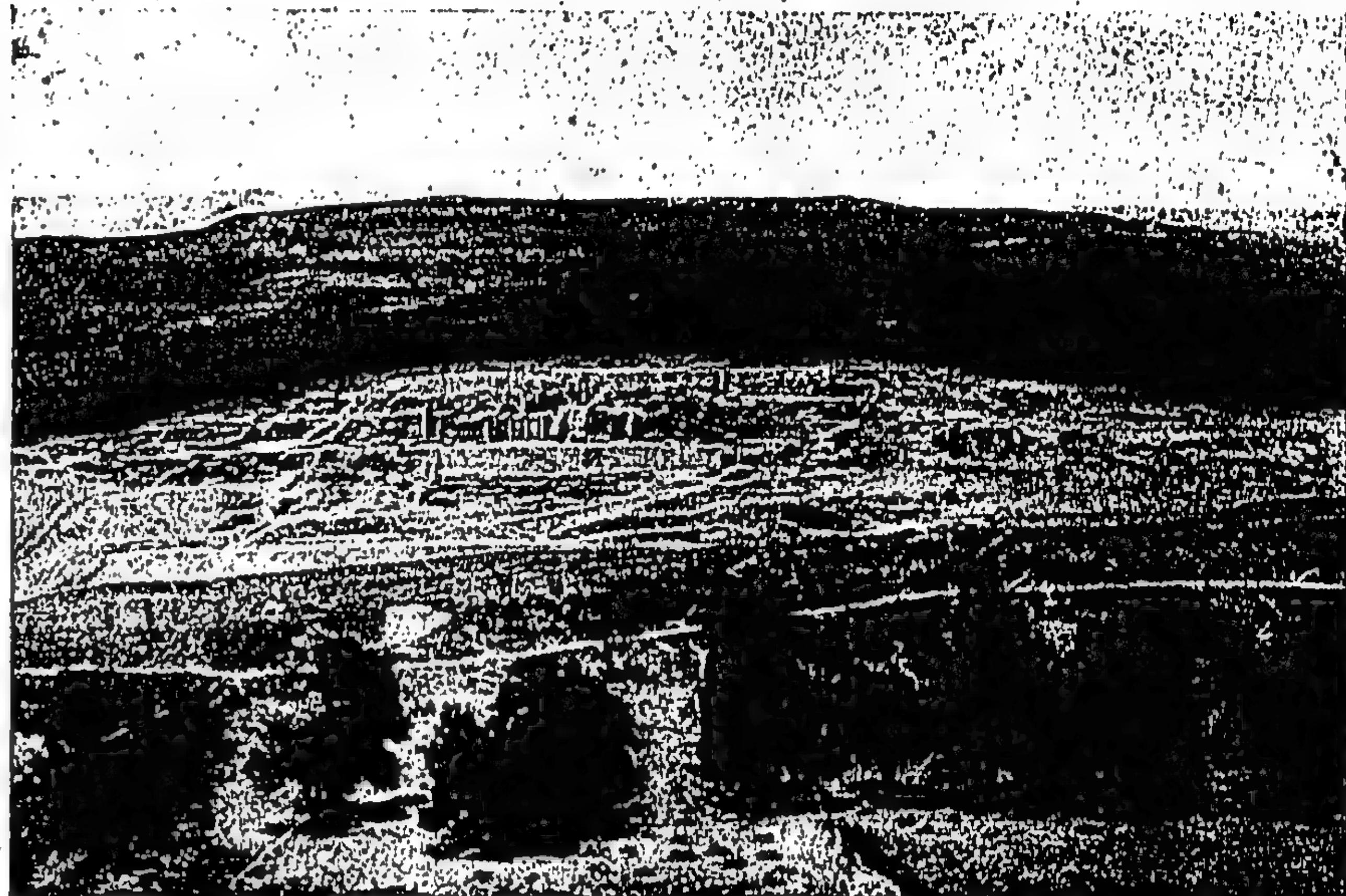
Remembering the Rotterdam lesson, the Allied forces were trained and prepared to offer furious resistance to parachutists.

Furthermore, General Freyberg's world war record shows that is not likely to be a man who would ask for or give quarter to an enemy using the Rotterdam tactics.

It is believed that the attack on Crete may serve a triple purpose, firstly, to eliminate the British stronghold barring the way to Syria; secondly, a feint to preoccupy the British troops while the Nazis prepare a coup elsewhere; and, thirdly, TURN TO BACK PAGE, Column 4

Crete's Famous Ruins

The island of Crete, apart from its military strategic position, is chiefly noted for its famous Minoan remains, first discovered in 1876. The two pictures on this page illustrate some of the excavations. Below is a view of the palace of Cnossus on the hill of Kephala, about four miles inland from Candia. The other picture shows the great staircase and hall of colonnades at Cnossus. So far there are no reports of German invasion operations in this part of the island.



"Nauseating Rhapsodies On This Blood-Stained Crook"

—Questions On Rudolf Hess
LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—Mr Winston Churchill refused to be drawn out on the subject of Rudolf Hess when questioners bombarded him in the House of Commons to-day.

Major Vyvyan Adams asked if it had been established that Hess' visit was planned with the German Government's connivance.

The Prime Minister replied: "I am not yet in a position to make a statement on this subject and I am not at all sure when I shall be."

Major Adams then asked if the Government had actively in mind the possibility that the whole stunt may be a common garden plant; also whether they would discourage the press from renewing their "nauseating rhapsodies on this blood-stained crook" (Laughter and Cheers).

The Prime Minister: "I certainly do not feel that I ought to detract in any way from the vehemence of Major Adams' statement." (Laughter.)

Delicate Appetite
The Labour Member, Mr Robert Taylor, complained of the press descriptions of "this man's very delicate appetite and the means taken to satisfy it" and added: "Our people believe that there are many people in concentration camps who had just as delicate appetites and they were not satisfied as in this case."

The Prime Minister: "Yes, certainly. But as far as I am at present advised, he is being treated as a prisoner of war and will receive treatment appropriate for a prisoner."

The offices of the French Consulate will be closed to the general public on Thursday, May 22, this being the Feast of the Assumption of Our Lady.

French Order British Consuls To Leave Posts In Syria

Special to the "Telegraph"

LONDON, May 20 (UP).—It is officially disclosed that the French have notified the British Consul General, Mr G. Havard, at Beirut that he must leave Syria.

This is the aftermath of a similar British notification to Consul General Jacques Chatter in London.

It is understood that Mr Havard has probably already left. The French likewise notified other British Consular officers in Syria that they must leave within eight days; this includes the Consul at Aleppo and Damascus.

It is recalled that Vichy formally severed diplomatic relations last July after the Oran incident but Mr Chatter remained in London and two or three British Vice-Consuls remained in France and Syria while the French in Palestine carried out limited diplomatic Consular activities but there has been a gradual elimination of these as relations with Vichy deteriorated.

Gib C. S. Promoted

LONDON, May 20 (British Wire- less).—Lieut-Col. A. Ebeater, Colonial Secretary of Gibraltar, has been appointed Administrator of St Vincent, Windward Islands, in succession to Major W. Bala Gray, whose appointment as Governor of St Helena was announced recently.

Icelanders Sever Link With Parent Country

LONDON, May 21 (Reuter).—Iceland has decided to sever connections with Denmark. The Iceland Parliament last evening adopted a resolution giving the country the right to denounce the Act of Union which, since 1918, had united Iceland with Denmark.

The Act cannot be formally cancelled until after the war but a Regent is to be selected as soon as possible to take over the powers formerly exercised in Iceland by the King of Denmark.

Since the occupation of Denmark by Germany, she has been unable to carry out her obligations to Iceland under the Act of Union. These obligations included taking charge of Iceland's foreign affairs.

Mr Clarence E. Gauss, the new United States Ambassador to China, will leave Hongkong for Chungking.

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Another windfall of \$25,000 is due the "Bomber Fund" as a result of approval by the shareholders of the Hongkong Fire Insurance Company of a suggestion by the Directors at the annual meeting held this morning.

It was stated that the Company made a similar donation in the first year of the Fund and it was desired to repeat the gesture.

P.A.A. Manager Leaves

Mr Johnson, manager of the Hongkong Office of Pan-American Airways left for Manila en route for Singapore by Clipper and he will be stationed permanently there to look after the new office set up by P.A.A. in connection with the recently arranged Manila-Singapore extension of the Clipper route.

Mr Johnson's place in Hongkong will be taken by Mr Charles Schaeffer who arrived four days ago.

Private In Court For Cruelty

Asks Forgiveness of Wife

Pte James Ivor James of "C" Company 1st Battalion, Middlesex Regiment, Nanking Barracks, Shamshuipo, was summoned before Mr H. C. Macnamara at Kowloon Magistrate's this morning for cruelty to his wife, at 101, Taiipo Road.

Complainant said the Defendant lost his temper very often and he would then strike her. Since Defendant was not paid a marriage allowance she had to work in the European Y.M.C.A. She had to work very late and when she came home Defendant was always very cross at her lateness, and would refuse to go back to the Barracks. When she tried to persuade him to go back to the Barracks he would lose his temper and would accuse her of attempting to get rid of him.

Defendant admitted that he had a very quick temper and, in front of the court, asked his wife's forgiveness for his bad behaviour. He promised to behave himself in the future.

The case was adjourned sine die.

Request For Convoys

By Florida House

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

TALLAHASSEE, FLA., May 20 (UP).—The Florida State House of Representatives to-day unanimously passed a resolution asking Congress to provide Navy convoys to "render and furnish immediately all possible aid to Britain."

The vote was 69 to 0 and specifically asked Congress to "provide Navy convoys from the United States Navy for ships carrying munitions and supplies to Great Britain."

Special to the "Telegraph"

CAIRO, May 20 (UP).—It is unofficially stated that prior to Tuesday's attacks on Crete the Germans subjected Crete to several severe aerial bombardments culminating in sustained attacks all day Monday against aerodromes. A heavy toll was taken of enemy planes, at least 15 being destroyed between Saturday and Monday.

Unconfirmed reports say that the Germans used gliders in Tuesday's attack and added that if they did, it would be the first time during the war that the Germans had employed them.

Aerodromes Bombed

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

CAIRO, May 20 (UP).—According to a Royal Air Force communique, the R.A.F. heavily bombed the aerodromes in German-occupied Greece on the night of May 18-19.

"Three very violent explosions and a number of fires were caused at Hasmaki. At Eleusis, one building received a direct hit and fires were started."

Importance Of Crete

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

NEW YORK, May 20 (UP).—The Germans in attacking Crete struck at one of the most strategic British strongholds in the Eastern Mediterranean.

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South China Operations End

Japanese Withdraw

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

CANTON, May 21 (Dome).—The Japanese military operation launched near Wanchow in the middle of this month has been successfully concluded with large Chinese forces trapped and annihilated, the Japanese Army Command in South China announced to-day.

Having attained the objective of their operation the Japanese forces have withdrawn from the area and are moving towards undisclosed places, the Army communique stated.

Bus Driver Hit By Pilot

For failing to appear before Mr D. J. N. Anderson at Kowloon Magistrate's this morning on a charge of alighting from a moving bus at Prince Edward Road, at 7 p.m., on May 20, Chan Fun, 23, married woman, of 45 Nga Chi Wai Road, third floor, had her bail of \$5 estimated.

A fine of \$10 was imposed on Chan Moon-fun, 30, C. N. A. C. pilot, husband of first Defendant, for assaulting a Kowloon Motor Bus Company driver on a bus at Prince Edward Road, on May 20.

It was stated that as his wife (first Defendant) fell down in alighting from the moving bus Defendant blamed the bus driver for it. He went to the bus driver's seat and hit the driver on the mouth.

Sgt Jack prosecuted.

Foreign Ships Marshalled For American Service

Special to the "Telegraph"

WASHINGTON, May 21 (UP).—Congress has approved two far-reaching shipping bills. The Senate has unanimously approved and has sent to the White House a Bill authorising the acquisition of 59 new naval auxiliaries at a maximum cost of \$800,000,000.

Available In August
The new auxiliaries, planned to enter the service before the end of August, involve about 550,000 tons of shipping. It is understood that part of the tonnage will be drawn from 100 foreign ships immobilised in United States ports.

The House Bill permits the Maritime Commission to establish merchant shipping priorities, preference being given to merchantmen employed in the war effort.

Japanese Force Down C.N.A.C. Plane: Passengers Escape

Piloted by an American pilot, Mr Hugh L. Woods of Colorado Springs and carrying among its complement of passengers two Americans, Dr and Mrs E. Brown, who passed through Hongkong a week ago, a China National Aviation Corporation aeroplane D.C.-3 was forced down yesterday morning by Japanese bombers at Suifu, on the Yangtze River just above Chungking.

The plane took refuge at an airfield at Ipin, near Suifu, but was bombed while on the ground and sustained destructive damage to its right-wing, although crew and passengers made good their escape.

The plane was en route from Chungking to Chengtu when it was attacked and despite harassing fire, made a safe landing on the Ipin airfield.

The local C.N.A.C. office have not yet been informed of any details.

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THE HONGKONG NATURALIST, Vol. X nos. 3 and 4. Price \$4 (postage extra). Now on sale at South China Morning Post Ltd.

Australia Filling War Orders

SYDNEY, May 20 (Reuter).—Australia's textile production for war purposes was outlined by Mr. A. W. Fadden, the Acting Prime Minister of the Commonwealth, today.

Mr. Fadden said that as a result of the Delhi Conference last year, Australia was asked to supply very large quantities of equipment for other parts of the Empire which were partly met from accumulated stocks, but with larger orders now to fulfil from Delhi the most intensive effort on the part of the industry and some sacrifice on the part of the community would be necessary.

With recent overseas orders received superimposed on the work already allocated, plus local requirements for the next nine months, an enormous strain would be thrown on the spinning, weaving, knitting, woollen and associated industries and also the boot industry.

The total value of recent orders was approximately £7,000,000, whilst those under immediate discussion were estimated at a further £4,000,000.

LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—The International Rubber Regulation Committee has fixed the quota for the third quarter at 100 per cent, unchanged.

HONG KONG POLO CLUB

Boundary Street, Kowloon

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Under the distinguished patronage of H.E. Sir Geoffrey Northcote, K.C.M.G.

SATURDAY, MAY 24th at 3 p.m.

The Band of the 1st Bn. The Middlesex Regt. (D.C.O.) by kind permission of Lt-Col H. W. M. Stewart, D.S.O., M.C. and Officers will play during the afternoon.

Conductor: Mr. W. E. Kilford, Dendmaster

Programme

- 3.00—JUMPING COMPETITION
 - (a) China Ponies.
 - (b) Australian Ponies.
- 4.00—ALARM RACE.
- 4.30—MUSICAL CHAIRS
- 5.00—V. C. RACE ON MULES (for all ranks).
- 5.30—POLO MATCH (The "Diehard" Trophy).
- 6.30—COCKTAIL CABARET.



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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN

What to do to help a child

Anyone knowing of a child who has been assaulted, neglected, or ill-treated in a manner likely to cause unnecessary suffering or injury to health, or knowing of a parent who is seeking advice on any matter concerning a child, would be doing an act of kindness by communicating at once with—

The Hon. General Secretary, H.K.S.P.C., Old City Hall, The Inspector, 49, Pokfulam Road, 1st floor.

The Inspector, 82 Stone Nullah Lane, 2nd Floor.

The Inspector, 12 Sai Yeung Choi St., Kowloon.

The Inspector, 52, Argyle St., Kowloon.

All further steps will be taken, and expenses borne, by the Society. The Informant's name will be kept strictly private, except in cases where malice is proved.

NOTICE

DEFENCE REGULATIONS 1940

The following rates will be charged for mailing single copies of the following newspapers abroad:—

South China Morning Post
China and Macao
16 cents per copy

British Empire and Foreign
25 cents per copy

The Hongkong Telegraph
China and Macao
16 cents per copy

British and Foreign
20 cents per copy
25 cents Saturdays.

H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning.

BANKS
H.K. Banks 1.310 n.
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H.K. Banks (H.K.) 70 1/2 n.
Chartered 8 1/2 n.
Mercantile, A. & B. 23 1/2 n.
Mercantile, C. & 11 1/2 n.
East Asia 71 b.

INSURANCES
Cantons 220 n.
Union 405 n.
China Underwriters 1 n.
H.K. Fire 170 b.

SHIPPING
Douglas 128 n.
Steamboats 8 s.
Indo-China P. 80 b.
Indo-China D. 60 n.
Shell (Bearers) 40 7/2 n.
Waterboats 0.55 n.

DOCKS ETC.
Wharves 35 1/2 n.
Docks 5 n.
Provident 5.10 n.
Shai Dockyards 20 1/2 n.

MINING
Kailan s/- 12 1/2 n.
Ruhs 8 n.
H.K. Mines 1 1/4 cts. n.

LANDS
Hotels 2.85 b.
Lands 31 b. & s.
Lands 4% Debentures 97 1/2 n.
Shui Lands Sh. 1.14 n.
Hampden 6.70 n.
H.K. Realities 2.70 n.
Chinese Estates 49 n.

UTILITIES
Trams 15.90 n.
Peak Trams (old) 7 1/2 n.
Peak Trams (new) 5 1/2 n.
Star Ferries 51 1/2 n.
Y. Ferries x.d. 21.35 n.
China Lights (old) 5.70 b.
China Lights (new) 1.14 n.
H.K. Electric (old) x. 15. 52 n.
H.K. Electric (new) 21 1/2 n.
H.K. Electric Rts 11 1/2 n.
Macao Electric 183 s.
Sundakan Lights 12 n.
Telephones (old) 22.60 n.
Telephones (new) 9 1/2 n.

INDUSTRIALS
Cald: Macg. (Ord.), Sh. 30 n.
Cald: Macg. (Pref.), Sh. 25 n.
Cald: Iccs 1.34 n.
Cements 1.34 n.
H.K. Ropes 64 1/2 b.

STORES, &c.
Dairy Farms 17 1/2 n.
Watsons 9 1/2 n.
Lane Crawford 7 1/2 n.
Sinceres 2.15 n.
Wing On (H.K.) 39 n.
Powell Ltd. 1 1/2 n.

COTTON MILLS
Ewo Sh. 35 1/2 n.
Shai Cotton Sh. 205 n.

MISC.
H.K. Govt 4% 97 n.
H.K. Govt 3 1/2% (1934) 94 1/2 n.
H.K. Govt 3 1/2% (1940) 94 n.
Ch. Govt. 5% 1925 GSBds. 28 n.
Entertainments 0 1/4 b.
Constructions (old) 1.80 n.
Constructions (new) 1.1 n.
Vibro Piling 1.20 n.
Marmans Inv. (Lon) 1/2 n.
Marmans Inv. (H.K.) s/- 2 1/2 n.

Local Securities Wilting
A review of the Balance Sheet will show that while all our reserves are in healthy condition, the scars left by the collapse of the China dollar are not yet obliterated, nor can this be anticipated for some years to come. You will notice an increase in the amount at credit of Investment and Exchange Fluctuation Account, this being due to the uplift in values of our investments at the end of last year. It is to be hoped that such a condition of affairs will continue, though there are some signs of wilting in the prices of our local securities.

Uncertain Future
I trust you will approve if I don't talk about the future, these being times wherein it is unwise to hazard an opinion on any subject for more than a few hours ahead. At the moment all looks well with the Company and, in saying that, I tell you just as much as the Consulting Committee know themselves.

I trust you will approve the usual grant of a bonus to members of the staff of 10 per cent. on their salaries, men on service to be included. They have worked well during the past year under conditions of considerable pressure and I consider this gratuity has been well earned.

I feel assured of your approval of the donation of \$25,000 to the "South China Morning Post" Bomber Fund which was made last June and has been debited to the 1940 Account. With your agreement, we propose to donate a similar sum out of the current year's funds to help the Bomber Fund's second year.

Auditors' Fees
I have an explanation to make in connection with the resolution that will shortly come before you with

regard to the re-election of our Auditors, Messrs. Lowe, Bingham & Fleming. Owing to their many additional activities on our behalf, it was decided in May last year to augment their fees by \$500 per firm to date back to January 1, 1940, but as it was too late to obtain your confirmation the agreed increase has not been paid. To regularize the position I shall be glad if Mr. M. H. Turner, when proposing the re-election and increase will make the latter retrospective to the beginning of the year 1940.

Resolution Passed
I now propose the following Resolution—"That the Report and Accounts, as presented, including the payment of a Dividend of \$1 per share, the transfer of \$220,935.45 to the credit of Reinsurance Fund and the payment to the Staff of a bonus of 15 per cent. upon their salaries, be adopted and passed."

This was seconded by Mr. D. V. Stevenson and carried unanimously. Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Fleming were re-elected auditors at the increased remuneration of \$2,000 each, the increase of \$500 to be made retrospective from January 1, 1940. This was proposed by Mr. M. H. Turner and seconded by Mr. W. H. B. Wilmer.

Messrs. C. Bernard, Brown, A. H. Compton, the Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo, the Hon. Mr. T. E. Pearce, Mr. S. T. Williamson and Mr. P. H. Suckling were re-elected to the Consulting Committee, on the motion of Mr. M. H. Lo seconded by Mr. P. Fleming.

A dividend of \$11 per share involving \$440,000, an addition of \$220,935.45 to Reinsurance Fund and a 15 per cent bonus on salaries to members of the staff, were approved at the 72nd annual general meeting of Shareholders of the Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd. held this morning in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co., Ltd.

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German Experts Said to Have Taken Over Syrian Railways

Special to the "Telegraph"

BUDAPEST, May 20 (UP).—An Ankara dispatch to the semi-official news agency, quoted by the Turkish morning newspapers, declares that German experts have taken over the Syrian railways, establishing large stores at certain junctions.

Not Through Turkey
CAIRO, May 20 (Reuter).—War material sent from Syria to Iraq has not gone through Turkish territory, according to a usually reliable source here.

This source reveals that the war material was sent by rail to Aleppo, where it was unloaded and transferred to a fleet of Iraqi lorries, which conveyed the material by road to Mosul.

Allep Airport Occupied
LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—Aleppo airport in Syria has been occupied by German ground staff and in all 20 or more Syrian airports are available for German use, says the Ankara correspondent of the Columbia Broadcasting System.

Fifty Enemy Planes
LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—About 50 German planes have so far crossed Syria, it is believed here.

Pilots For De Gaulle
LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—The Cairo correspondent of the Independent French Agency says that a certain number of French planes have been flown over the Syrian frontier by their pilots to join General de Gaulle.

CAIRO, May 20 (UP).—To-day's R.A.F. communiqué stated that military targets in and around Fallujah were bombed yesterday prior to the entry of British troops. Airfields in Syria were also attacked.

Baghdad Report
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".
BEIRUT, May 20 (UP).—The Baghdad radio stated that the Iraqis, with native tribes, raided and caused heavy casualties on the Imperial forces in the Basra area, especially in the vicinity of Liwa where many dead were thrown into the sea.

The Iraqi infantry attacked Habbaniyah inflicting losses and the battle continues.

Bombers destroyed several British planes at Habbaniyah.

The British bombed the Baghdad airfield.

DALMATIA ANNEXED BY ITALY

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".
ROME, May 20 (UP).—It is announced that Dalmatia has been incorporated into Italy under the Governorship of General Bastianini, including the provinces of Zara, Split and Cattaro.

General Bastianini who is Mussolini's personal representative, will reside in the city of Zara which now becomes the capital of Dalmatia.

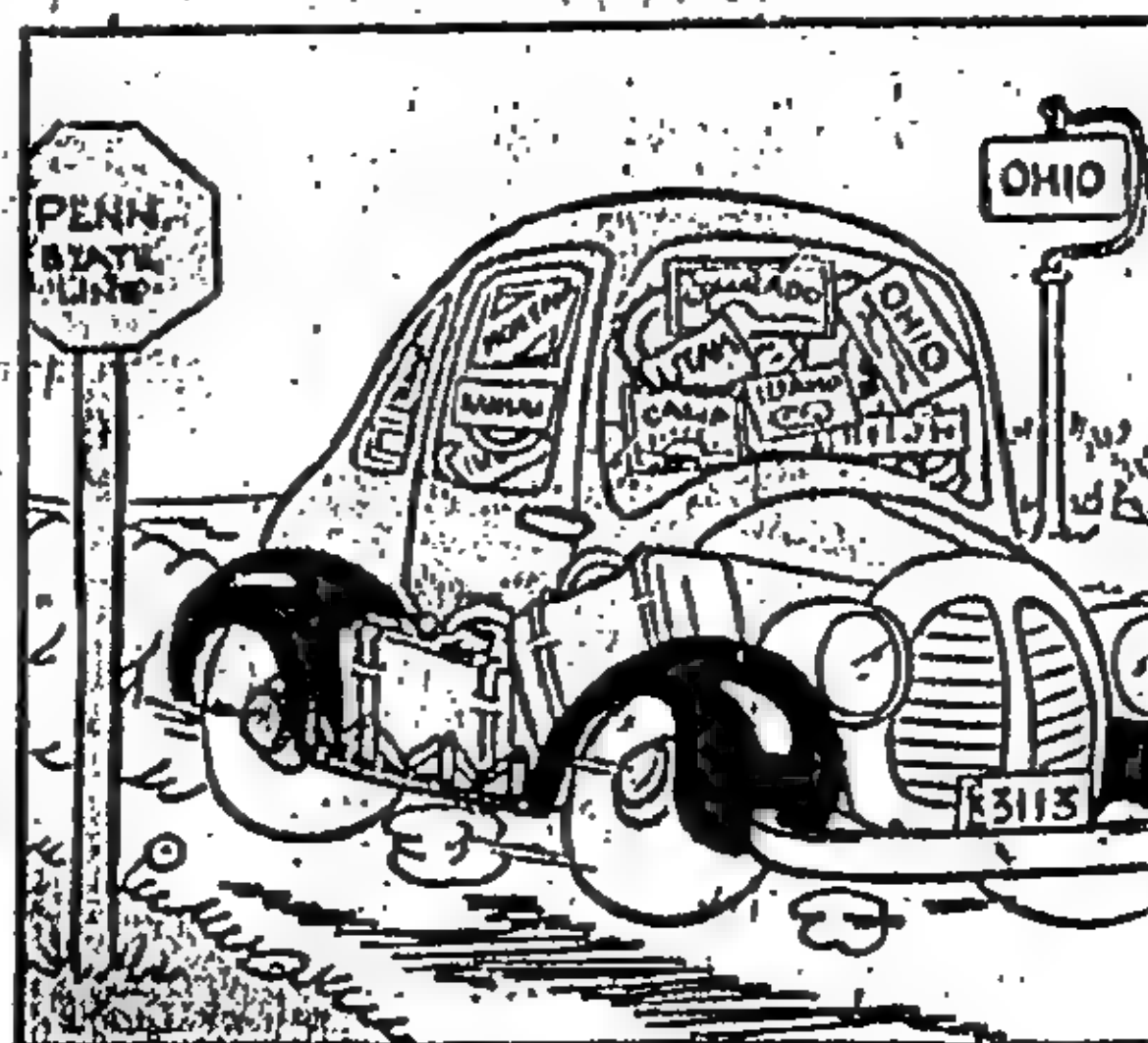
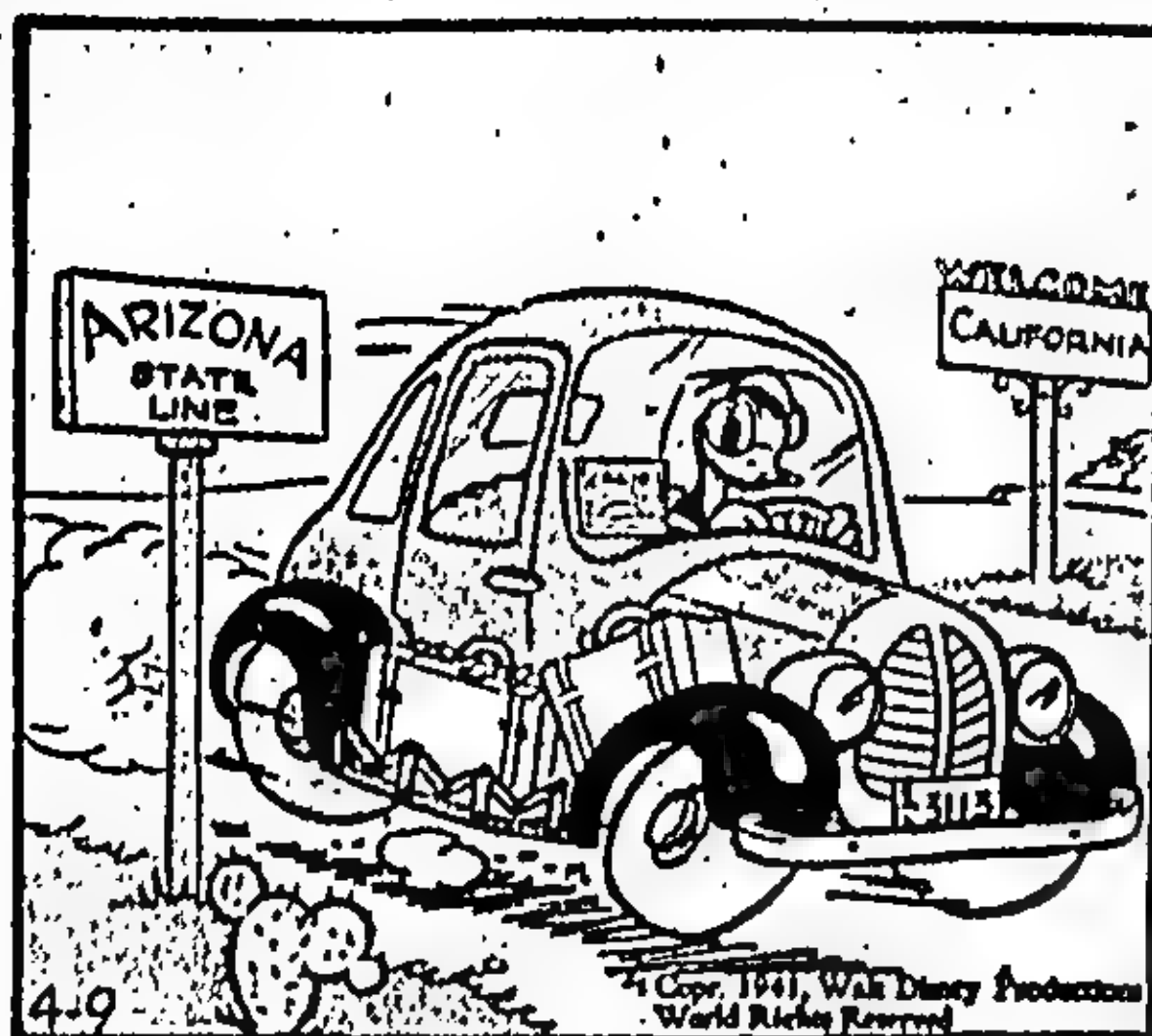
RESCUE IN IRAQ

LONDON, May 20 (British Wireless).—During operations in Iraq, a naval aircraft, which had been damaged while taking part in an attack on barracks at Samawa, had to make a forced landing three miles south of the town and was quickly surrounded by members of Raschid Ali's forces, who opened fire.

Other naval aircraft which had observed this incident promptly landed and rescued the crew without casualty in face of armed opposition and once more took to the air.

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NAZIS TRY TIT-for-TACTICS

By Air Commodore P. M. Fellowes, D.S.O.

FOR the time being, at any rate, the R.A.F. has taken the initiative from the Luftwaffe in the 1941 air war.

The Nazis have been reduced—with certain exceptions—to copying what we do.

Their tactics at the moment are merely "tit-for-tactics."

If we carry out a fighter-sweep over the north-east coast of France they do a fighter-sweep over the south-east corner of England.

If we send night-fighters to attack night bombers on landing, they attempt retaliations.

If we bomb Berlin, they hit back at London. If we bomb Hamburg, they bomb Glasgow. And so on.

Only in deliberately bombing the civil population does the Luftwaffe still maintain a line of its own.

Our policy remains limited to attacks on the enemy's means of making war.

In Six Stages

Apart from that, and from the concentration on our ports which supports the U-boat campaign in the Atlantic, the Nazis are now tagging along behind us in both strategy and tactics.

And this means that a sixth stage has been reached in the air war.

In the first phase the Germans confined themselves to overseas reconnaissance flights round our coasts, with an occasional light inland.

They varied this by attacking our lightships and trawlers.

We, at the same time, were carrying out leaflet-dropping flights. It was valuable training.

The second phase in the air war was the attempted defence of Holland, Belgium, France—and especially Dunkirk—by the R.A.F. against the German dive-bombing attacks.

It was during this time that we began our bombing operations on the Ruhr and the German communications in the rear.

The third phase, still by day-light, was initiated by the Germans when they attacked our aerodromes and southern seaports and communications, and London, in the battle for Britain.

We, during this phase, concentrated on our own defence and at the same time began, by night, to bomb industrial targets and German aerodromes within Germany and the occupied territory.

Industrial Targets

The fourth phase was again initiated by the Germans when they began attacking our communications and some of our factories by day.

During this time, we still concentrated on attacking enemy industrial targets in Germany and enemy material in the occupied area, mainly by night.

It was at this period the British showed that the initiative was swinging over to them.

The Germans had to cease their clumsy and very expensive daylight mass attacks, mainly because of the enormous losses in valuable personnel they had suffered.

They began to copy the R.A.F. policy of night attack. The British at this time were also utilising cloud-cover by day for attacks by small formations. Much later this was copied by the Germans.

The fifth phase, still mainly at night, was the German attack on our ports—London, Liverpool, Southampton, Bristol, Glasgow, Hull, etc.

This was in retaliation, probably, for the heavy attacks we had carried out on Hamburg, Kiel, Wilhelmshaven, and so on.

During this phase by day, the Atlantic war by air power was becoming more pronounced.

At the same time we, through the R.A.F. Bomber Command, the Coastal Command and the Fleet Air Arm, were devoting more and more attention to attacks on enemy shipping.

While doing this, both coastal and bomber commands are devoting an important part of their resources to the destruction of surface raiders and submarines at seaports and construction yards in Germany and occupied Europe.

When more great bombers and longer range torpedo craft are available, the life of the returning surface raider will become exceedingly hazardous.

And now, as I say, a phase in the war appears to have been reached when the Germans are definitely following whatever we do.

The enemy must realise that our potential bombing power is becoming equivalent to theirs.

New Attack Methods

The R.A.F.'s methods of combating the Luftwaffe's various attacks on us are now developing, and appear mainly to be taking the direction of smashing the attack before it leaves the ground.

Obviously, this is the most offensive, and, therefore, the most correct, method as far as material is concerned.

The material is, however, not the most important objective. We must strike most of all at the trained personnel.

If we can devise some method of destroying the trained men of the active squadrons, and their morale, we can watch the piling up of German aircraft reserves with complacency.

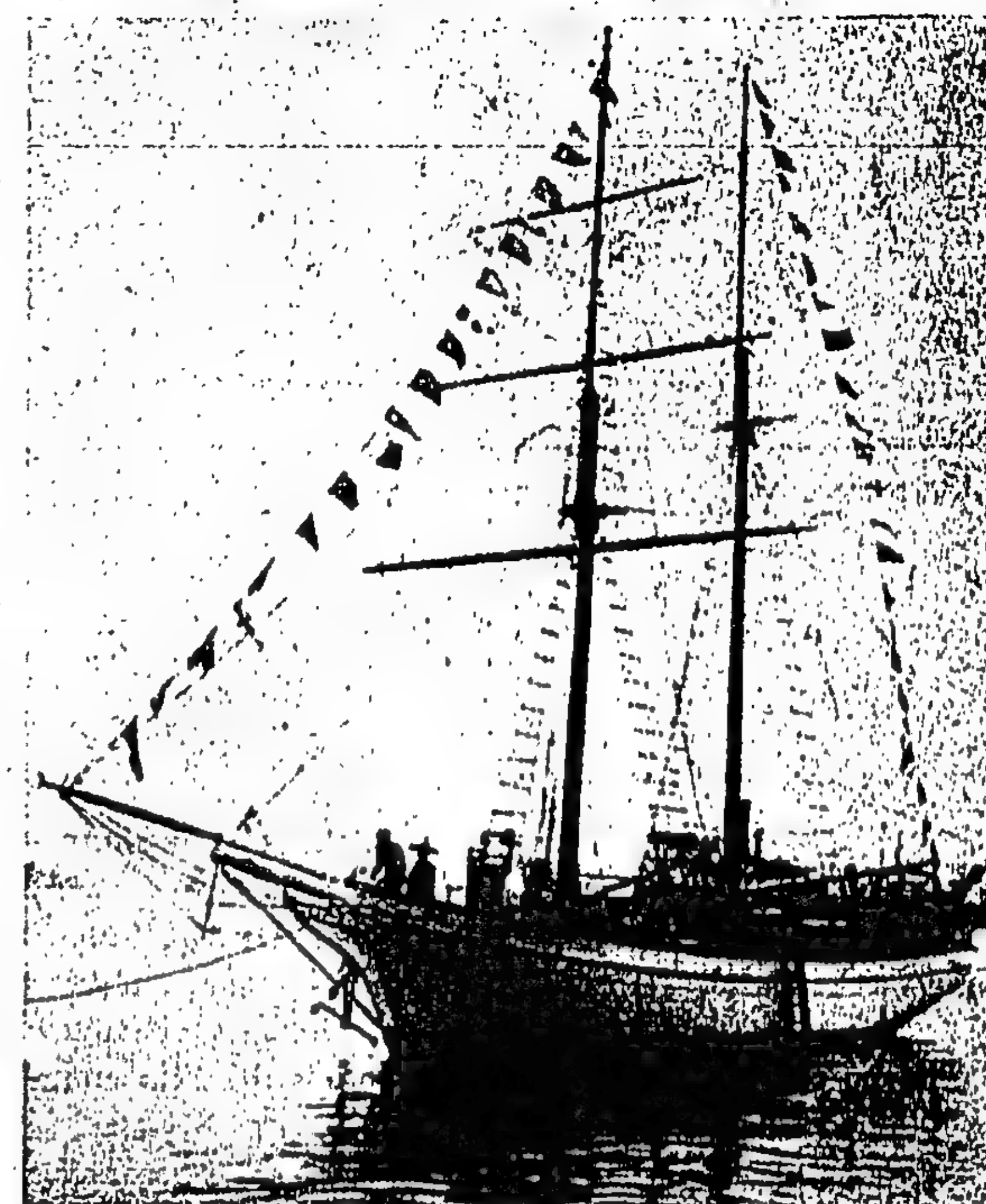
In this side of the air war we are most advantageously placed.

Our training schools are situated, to a very large extent, in the outer Empire, and therefore out of reach of enemy attack.

The German air schools—i.e., their factories for producing trained bodies—are well within our reach, and it is on these schools that we can concentrate our destructive powers.

This policy is a brutal policy, but war is brutal.

TO CIRCLE THE GLOBE



The 55-ton luxury brigantine, *Nuestra Señora de la Paz* (Our Lady of Peace), which was launched at the Wing On Shing shipyard on Monday. The vessel will be taken on a round-the-world cruise by Lt-Col Juan Calvo and Lt-Col A. Arnals of the Philippines. The lower picture shows those who attended the launching. Lt-Col Calvo is seen in centre, with Miss Virginia Hideson, who performed the ceremony, on his left (Photos: Mayfair Studio).



Mr Roosevelt Not Sending Any Special Message to Congress

WASHINGTON, May 20 (Reuter). — President Roosevelt does not anticipate sending any special message to Congress in the near future.

He announced this at his press conference to-day, thus disappointing upward of 100 journalists present.

They had jammed President Roosevelt's office for what was expected to be a momentous conference in anticipation of an indication from the President of a "big decision."

Relief Appropriation
 WASHINGTON, May 20 (Reuter). — President Roosevelt has asked Congress for an \$886,000,000 relief appropriation for the year beginning July 1.

This amount is \$109,000,000 below the estimates in the budget.

Shipping Rates
 WASHINGTON, May 20 (Reuter). — The House of Representatives to-day passed and sent to the Senate a Bill giving the Maritime Commission persuasive authority to control shipping rates, cargoes and voyages in the interests of national defence.



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AMERICA . . . as British children are seeing it

PEOPLE

A girl of 11: "I was astonished to see girls of 13 wearing lipstick and powder, and I don't like it very much. But all the same I really think American people very nice and kind."

Another said: "The girls here look like ladies on the outside, but they're really children like us."

"Most people in America wear glasses."

LIGHTS

"America is the most beautiful country in the world. It has lights," was the comment of a boy so young that he could hardly remember England before the black-out.

A 15-years-old looked at New York at night, and said: "All those millions of lights—how wasteful! But how marvellous to be able to be so wasteful!"

FOOD

"They don't have a hearty breakfast in America," said a 9-years-old boy. "They don't have a hearty anything," said his 12-years-old brother. "Oh yes, their sausages are hearty," the younger boy admitted.

"The Americans are not able to eat so much as we can. For instance, they don't have a different meal instead of tea—they just go without tea." "The food is nice, at dinner and supper, but I don't like breakfast because of the

The "New York Times Magazine" has been studying the reactions of British children evacuated to America "for the duration." Here are some of the comments the children have made in conversations, in school, and in letters.

cereal. At home we don't call it 'cereal' anyway—we call it by its proper name."

"I detest hot dogs and I do like ketchup on fish. The thing I find nice about the food is that we have plenty of fruit."

"For dinner in the United States we never have ordinary potatoes; but the potatoes are always mashed up, which I am fed up with."

When American people talk it sounds like a banjo playing. They both make a sort of 'twanging' sound."

"The American accent is very easy to catch. I find that when I talk to some one I copy their accent when I answer them."

"The slang they use here is terrific."

SKYSCRAPERS

The older boys seemed to think of the skyscrapers primarily in terms of bombing objectives: "It would take more than one bomb from Hitler to knock that down!" one boy said, admiring the Empire State Building.

"Hitler could finish New York with about two bombs," was the verdict of another military authority. "Why, if Radio City were struck, it would bury all the buildings and all the people for miles around."

STREETS AND CARS
 "Fifth Avenue is utterly different from Broadway. It's very straight and smooth and sophisticated. The shops are very posh and they don't have

flushing lights like the shops on Broadway. I expect they don't care to attract so many customers—they rake in so much money from just one customer."

"They don't have 'pubs' in America."

"The cars are enormous—almost as big as a bus at home."

SPORTS

"American football is more exciting than ours, and baseball is more fun to play than rounders."

"In England we have the equivalent of football, which is Rugby. We don't tug up so much and only wear shorts and a shirt."

SCHOOL

"It seems to me American schools are much bigger and much more forward than ours. Also you won't find so many colleges in England."

"I have learned fractions over here and the new way to spell words, but I don't seem to remember the history."

"I must say I have learned a lot since I came here."

WORRIES

Everything's bigger. Even the mosquitoes are bigger and their bites are more affectionate."

A little boy saying his prayers asked God to take care of him, to take care of his friends and his Mummy and Daddy. He ended up with: "But take care of yourself, too, God, because of anything should happen to You we'd all be sunk."

Petrol Sold As Paraffin

An urgent warning was broadcast in London recently to a man who had been supplied with two gallons of petrol instead of paraffin at a Golders Green shop.

The message pointed out that the petrol, if used in error, might prove dangerous, and the man was asked to return it.

The manager of the shop told a reporter that he knew the man as a regular customer, but did not know his name and address. "The petrol happened to be in the same kind of tin in which we sell paraffin," he explained, "and got mixed up with it. The petrol, of course, was not for sale at all."

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PETAINE'S FRANCE

MARSHAL Petain, head of the conquered Third French Republic, occupies perhaps the most unfortunate post in the world to-day. His position is also unique. Called from an honoured retirement to patch up difficult relations between France and Spain he was virile enough though an octogenarian, to assume control of the country when it was beaten, disillusioned and in despair. The free world hoped that the simple honourable sentiments of a soldier would shine through and dispel the clouds of treachery; that France would be content, even if she could no longer struggle in France, to suffer her intolerable burden until the victory of her friends released her and to withhold as far as possible, assistance to the enemy.

There has lately been a move induced perhaps by Petain's misguided belief that Britain may not win the war, to collaborate willingly with Germany. This is a defeatism that acknowledges indefinite subjection to the German yoke. The object of Petain's new course is, he avers, to save as much of the French Empire as possible. By following a path of dishonour he hopes to keep at France's side her overseas possessions and arms by giving them a German promise of immunity.

Even if this act is designed to save the French further suffering it cannot be sanctioned by us on any ground. French sufferings, great as they are, are less than those of Britain. She is suffering reduced rations and humiliation, but little more. Now she proposes to sell her birthright for a mess of pottage. Petain cannot possibly believe that the Empire will eventually emerge from the struggle in its old glory, complete and faithful. Therefore he is selling his people into industrial and cultural serfdom for a price that is ridiculously low: a reduction in the payments to the army of occupation, the release to their families and work of a million French soldiers, the re-occupation of part of occupied France, and a promise of Empire for the future.

This ignoble bargain will not captivate the admiration of any

UNITED STATES WILL DEFEND THE PHILIPPINES

Defence of the Philippines in case of hostile Japanese manufactured goods. But it would be unlikely that Japan would seek to conquer these markets by costly military means, especially at a time when the easier path of friendly trade and peaceful penetration was opening more widely. The gradual closing of the United States free market to large Philippine exports seemed logically to promise closer economic co-operation between Japan and the Philippines after 1946. In the interim, business as usual would be sufficiently attractive to both.

Miss Catharin Porter, research expert for the Institute of Pacific Relations, has reported on "Preparedness in the Philippines" for the survey, and cited official and unofficial evidence of increasingly comprehensive defensive measures for the protection of America's Far Eastern outpost.

The report does not give an opinion as to whether or not the Philippines are strategically dependable, but does disclose that numerous steps have been taken in re-ports, a serious situation, both as to food, clothing, and other supplies, would be faced.

In a discussion of the alien influence, the expert said that reports are current of Japanese influence among the Moros of Mindanao and Sulu, and of anti-democratic activity among Spaniards. The total effect of these activities is generally minimised for the time being, she said.

The relationship between Philippine defence and Philippine Independence is only hinted at, but it is suggested that Corregidor, the great fortress guarding the entrance into Manila Bay, may be far too expensive for the Filipinos to maintain by themselves, after Independence comes in 1946.

Minorities

The alien minorities, including both Japanese and Spanish, have thus far not constituted a problem to defence efforts, but they might become one, the research expert indicated.

Special emphasis is placed on Miss Porter's observation that the Filipinos themselves have risen to the occasion and are wholeheartedly pledged to the cause of defence of democracy.

"The morale and attitude of the rank and file of the Filipinos themselves have been above question," the writer said.

The report quoted extensively from an editorial in a chain of Filipino newspapers defining the Filipino stake in the world conflict, concluding that "the cause of Britain, the cause of Free France, the cause of the Chinese people, and the cause of the United States, is our cause."

"Their cause is our cause, because in the large principles of democracy for which they are fighting are involved the principles of liberty and equality which apply particularly to our case as a subject people moving towards independence."

Weaknesses

Miss Porter listed weaknesses in Philippine defence as:

1. Lack of sufficient arms and ammunition for Philippine reserves;
2. Lack of adequate air defences;
3. Concentration of fortifications and forces on the Island of Luzon;
4. Difficulties of inter-island communication and

Frenchmen of spirit, and though Britain has little inclination to disintegrate further that unhappy people she will broadcast everywhere the honourable alternative to this betrayal: support for General de Gaulle's Free French Forces on land, sea and in the air.

people would be important for Japanese manufactured goods. But it would be unlikely that Japan would seek to conquer these markets by costly military means, especially at a time when the easier path of friendly trade and peaceful penetration was opening more widely. The gradual closing of the United States free market to large Philippine exports seemed logically to promise closer economic co-operation between Japan and the Philippines after 1946. In the interim, business as usual would be sufficiently attractive to both.

"Even after the China incident began in the summer of 1937, it was still believed that Japan had her hands full on the

Special to the "Telegraph"

By Julius C. Edelstein

United Press Staff Correspondent

Moreover, a market of 17 million mainland of Asia and that the Soviet Union and China would offer sufficient diversion, to ensure Japan's southward drive's continuing along friendly commercial lines.

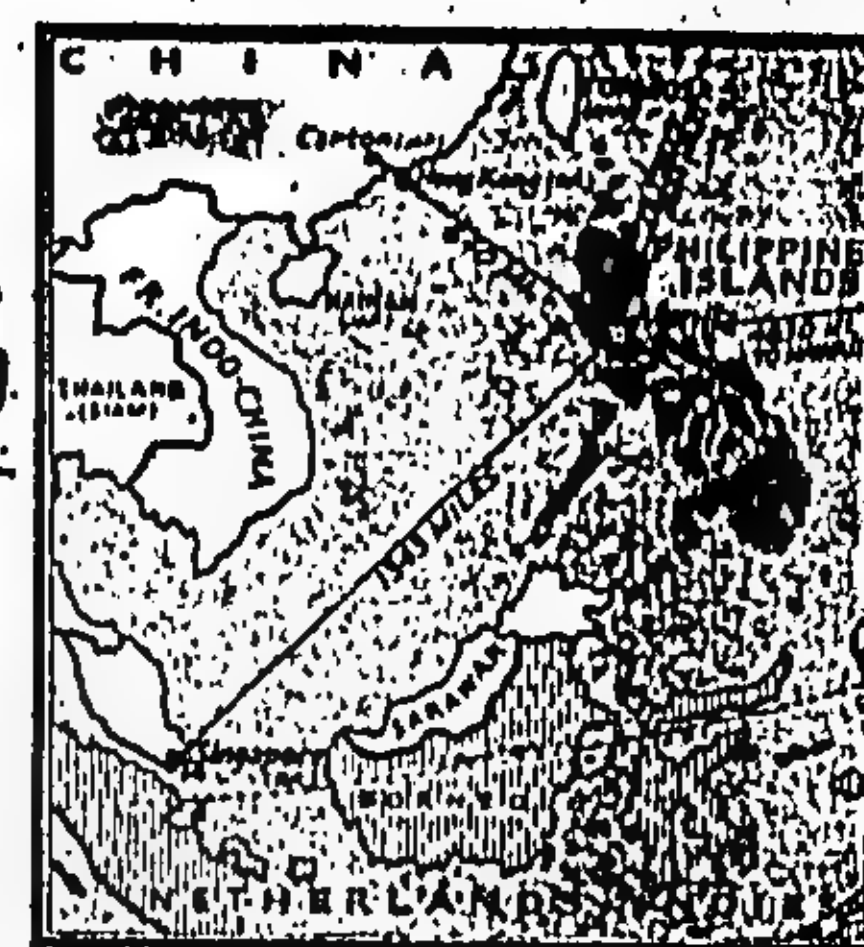
"Events of the last few years, however, have completely altered the picture. Japan's adherence to the Rome-Berlin Axis, the merging of the European and Far Eastern wars into one great conflict, the stiffening of the democratic front throughout the Far East—all of these things have resulted in bringing the Philippines into the camp of the powers opposing the spread of aggression and the establishment of 'new orders'."

"No longer is it a question whether the United States will fight to defend the Philippines. If war spreads in the Pacific and if the United States is involved, the Philippines will also be involved automatically. In that case, the issue will be defined in terms which are familiar on both sides of the world, which include many peoples and many diverse forms of government under the banner of democracy."

"To supplement the naval defence of the United States in the Islands, the Philippine Commonwealth has little to offer. (The new government, starting from scratch, has had a little over five years to organise and get under way its modest programme for national defence in preparation for 1946.) The European war has directly affected the Islands' preparations, for English shipyards were to furnish Q-boats for the naval branch of the Philippine Army. Only two have been delivered of the 36 which were to comprise the off-shore patrol service."

Mosquito Boats

Since England is out of the picture as a source of further equipment of this type, the Commonwealth Government is now considering the possibility of building its own mosquito boats, one of which is under construction. Philippine materials can



be used; only the engine, it is said, will have to be imported. When one considers the 7,000 islands of the Philippine archipelago, the many bays, channels and seas that surround and separate the islands, it is apparent that a small fleet of mosquito boats, without the aid of larger equipment, would be hard pressed to cripple major naval units.

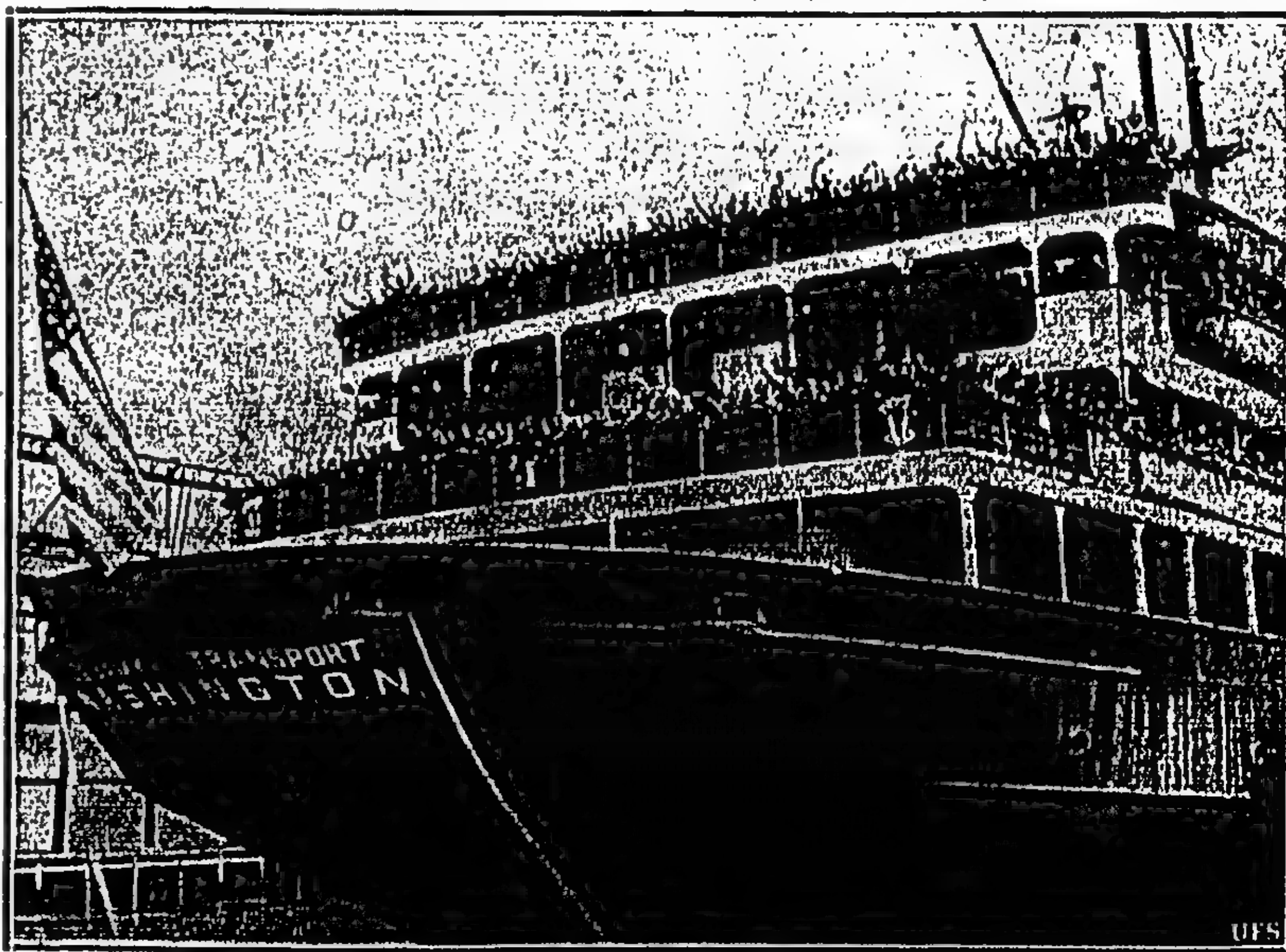
"If it were possible for an enemy to land troops at some point on Lingayen Gulf to the north, or on Lamon Bay on the eastern coast of Luzon, they would then have to meet the difficulties of unfamiliar terrain, swamps and poor roads, and would be faced with the armed forces of the Islands. Close co-operation between the United States and the Philippine Armies has been particularly noted of late, no important decision being made by the latter without the approval of the Commander of the Philippine Department of the United States Army."

The numerical strength of the United States Army in the Philippines was probably about 10,000 men; 4,000 of them are American troops, the remainder Philippine Scouts in the pay of the United States Government. Arrivals in the last few months of officers and enlisted men from the United States have increased the number. On February 2, of this year, the United States Army announced that it would take into its service in the Philippines more reservists for a year of additional training in the Philippine Scouts.

Guerillas

"These men, with the exception of the new recruits, are hardened troops, all presumably well-equipped, with years of training behind them. They are augmented by the regular Philippine Army, numbering today 466 officers and 3,665 enlisted men, plus some 4,000 in the constabulary. The reserve force, with some 132,000 men organised into about 13 tactical divisions, is very poorly equipped, and the men have had only 5½ months of regular active training. Their familiarity with the territory and with guerilla tactics (Americans who had to face Filipino guerilla fighting in the first years of occupation testify to its effectiveness) partly outweighs some of the apparent deficiencies of the force."

"Obviously, the Commonwealth has only a skeleton defence force and one which could not, unaided, hold off a major attacking force for long. But small as the Commonwealth defence effort is in these days of astronomical figures, it may safely be assumed that the United States is making more ample provision for the Island's protection in the present emergency than is commonly known."



TROOP FERRY—Harbour craft whistles shrieked good-bye as the former liner Washington, now an Army transport, left New York with more than 3,000 men aboard for Panama, Hawaii and the Philippines. This was the largest contingent of soldiers to leave the Brooklyn Army base since the last World War.

EUROPE AFTER WAR IS WON

Sikorski Sells Federation

LONDON, May 19 (Reuter).—“The doctrine of a future Europe consisting of five or six federated blocs working together and working in such a way that no one bloc would ever be in a position to achieve hegemony in Europe was very well received in America, and was found to be highly reassuring,” said General Sikorski, Polish Prime Minister, who returned recently from the United States.

General Sikorski discussed with President Roosevelt this plan to ensure a peaceful and prosperous Europe, and the General says that America is deeply interested in the after-war reconstruction of Europe.

He also told a reporter, “All the official matters that I went over to raise have been satisfactorily settled. In Canada we have signed several agreements of a military as well as financial character, as a result of which within a month or two military camps will be in being there.”

U. S. FOOD FOR EIRE But No Weapons

WASHINGTON, May 20 (Reuter).—The President told a press conference that the United States has offered to sell or charter two ships to Ireland and to supply half a million dollars' worth of food for the Irish civilian population.

The ships would be manned by Irish crews and the purchase of the food would be financed from a special Red Cross Relief appropriation of \$50,000,000, the half a million being additional to any purchase made by Ireland herself.

President Roosevelt indicated that no armaments would be available for sale to Ireland, following the United States' general rule to supply munitions only to active belligerents.

The ships for Ireland would be placed under the Irish flag, and would probably carry much more than half a million dollars' worth of food because Eire intends to make purchases on her own account.

Uncle Sam To Acquire A Home Guard

LONDON, May 1 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt announced the creation of a structure of civilian defence in the United States, in the course of his Press conference today.

The President announced that he had established by executive order an office for civilian defence headed by Mayor LaGuardia of New York.

He divided the new defence agency into two general divisions, one being a board of civilian protection with Mayor LaGuardia in the chair, including also representatives of the Departments of War, the Navy and Justice.

The board will advise and assist the formulation of civilian defence measures and attempt to provide “adequate protection of life and property” in the event of an emergency.

The second division will include a “volunteer participation committee” with representatives of the various regions and interests of the nation. Mayor LaGuardia would be unpaid and would remain Mayor of New York.

Detailed Functions

SPECIAL TO THE “TELEGRAPH”
WASHINGTON, May 20 (UP).—President Roosevelt today stated that the volunteers will be instructed how to function under air raid conditions, including the gathering of the populace into shelters and administering first aid. Volunteer fire fighters will be organized and personnel will be trained to handle crowds and emergencies as well as to guard against looting.

Other groups will watch prices and report any undue advance to the Federal authorities. Special instruction will be given in the construction of bomb shelters. All units will collect and conserve iron and rubber against a shortage.

Steps have already been taken to organize a vast volunteer air raid warning system.

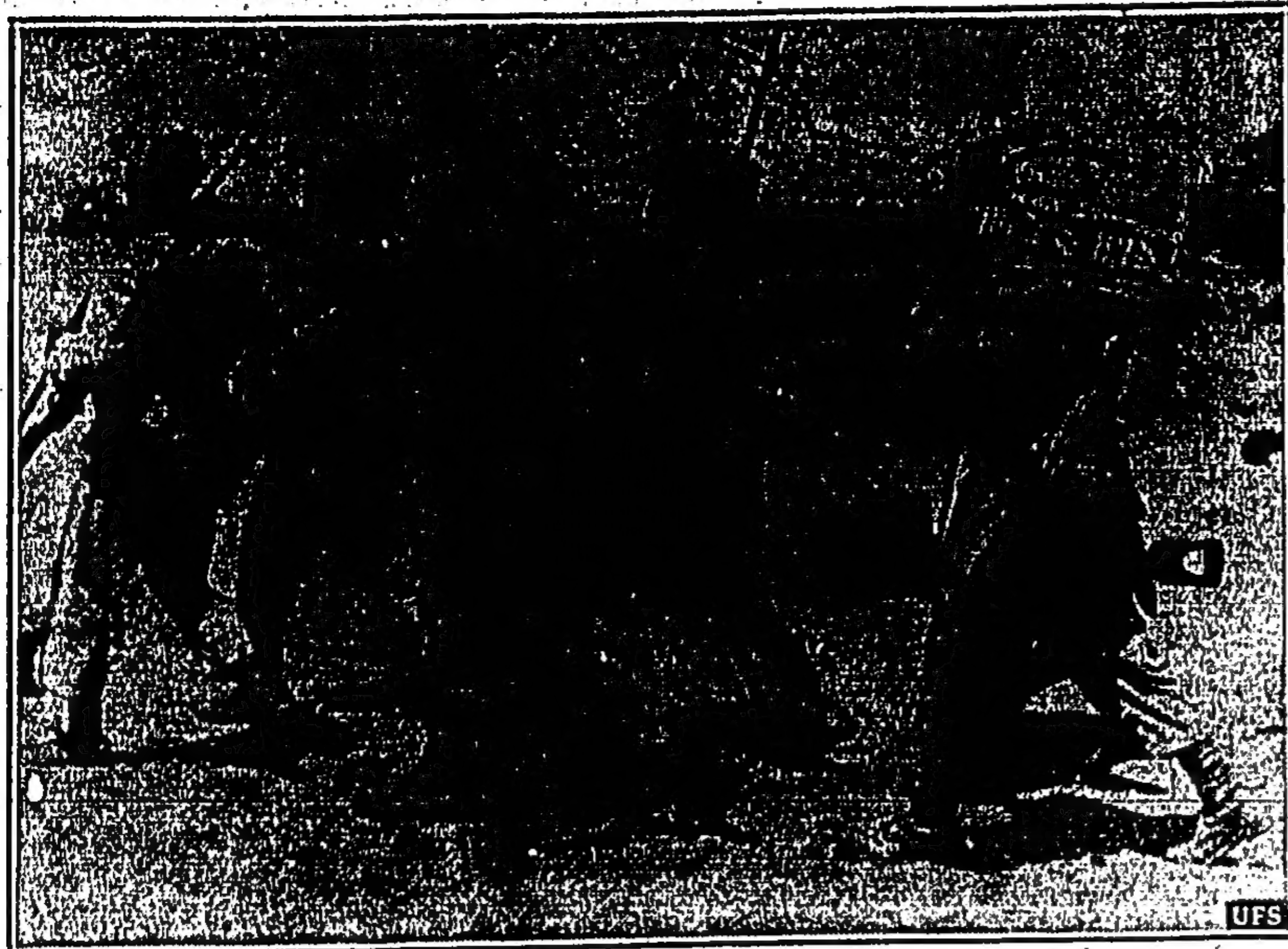
Women's activities will be co-ordinated to avoid the scattering of efforts and they will be expected to maintain a close watch on nutrition problems and to correct physical deficiencies due to diet as revealed by the examination of the draft doctors.

Unlawful Possession Of Rifle & Cartridges

Found guilty of unlawful possession of a .20 mm. rifle and 22 cartridges, Mok Mau and Ho Lam were each sentenced to ten months' hard labour by the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, at the Criminal Sessions this morning.

Mr. M. J. Abbott, Crown Counsel, assisted by Sub-Inspector C. Mottram, prosecuted. The jury comprised Messrs L. Gardner, H. A. Waller, L. F. Kewler, Y. T. T. Ming, Leung Wing, Leung Sik-hon and Jackson Hing Loo.

LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—The sinking of the Royal Naval auxiliary vessel Camito, is announced by the Admiralty.



THEY TOOK IT ALONG—The Italians set up a stone marking the boundary of Kenya and Italian Somaliland. When the Italians were on the run, a company of British Royal West Africans came along and saw the stone. One of them thought it was something to take home, so he did, as above.

Franco Trains Youth To Be Party Tools

Spain's youth is in training to become a militant arm of the Falange—the Spanish equivalent of Nazis or Fascists—and play a star role in the “new order” through which Generalissimo Francisco Franco hopes to restore the nation's ancient glory, reports Associated Press.

By an official decree, General Franco has established the “Youth Front” to regiment and train the boys and girls of Spain from childhood until they reach the age to enter the

Winant On British Stoicism

LONDON, May 21 (Reuter).—Admiration for the spirit of the British people under suffering was expressed by Mr. John Winant, United States Ambassador in London, opening a hospital in the East End of London yesterday.

He said: “I have seen for myself the fortitude with which the people of London bear the worst that Germany can do. I have talked to them in the early hours of the morning and have marvelled at the cheerfulness of those who suffered and lost much that is dear to them.”

“I am learning more and more that behind this indomitable spirit of London and Britain, there is a sure system of civil defence. You, who work unflinchingly for the protection of others and are helping London to take it, are doing much for victory.”

The hospital, which is for working men whose wives are evacuated, has been completely equipped with money collected in the United States.

EUROPEAN HOUSEHOLDS VICTIMISED

Li Hung-kwan, 34, unemployed, was charged before Mr. D. J. N. Anderson, at Kowloon Magistracy this morning with attempted burglary at 98 Waterloo Road, the residence of Mr. B. Pengelly, on May 20.

Breaking into 260 Prince Edward Road, the house of Mr. Jones and stealing from the premises one electric fan, one camera, one pair of spectacles and a quantity of cigarettes on May 13, and returning to the Colony after being banished for life.

It was stated that at 4 a.m. Mr. Pengelly was awakened by some noise caused by the removal of glass. He got up and saw Defendant working at a piece of glass in the door. Defendant fled on being seen but was chased and arrested by Mr. Pengelly.

At the Police Station Defendant admitted breaking into Mr. Jones' residence and stealing the articles mentioned. Only the electric fan which was pawned for \$5, was recovered.

Defendant was sentenced to four months' hard labour on the first charge, two months on the second count and six months on the last offence, the sentences to run consecutively.

Bill To Beat Fire Blitz

Co-ordinating Fighters

LONDON, May 21 (Reuter).—A new Fire Services Bill, bringing the nation's 1,400 separate fire brigades under a single control, was presented to Parliament last evening by the Home Secretary, Mr. Herbert Morrison, and was passed without opposition.

Lady Astor, who represents Sutton division on Plymouth and who has had first-hand experience of fire raids, said that she was horrified that the Government had allowed British cities and towns to be “blitzed” for six months before bringing in the Bill.

Army or marry.

The decree provides that all school children from 7 to 17 years of age automatically become members, along with the Spanish University Union, comprising college students who have already embraced Falangist tradition.

Co-ordination Move

The Youth Front, the decree emphasised, is designed to assure the organisation and discipline of generations to come “in the Catholic, Spanish and militant spirit proper to the Spanish Falange,” co-ordinating pre-military education with the political tenets of the Falange, the only political party permitted in the Franco Government.

Foreign Minister Ramon Serrano Suner, head of the Falange and leading advocate of closer collaboration between Spain and the Axis powers, will play a dominant role in the Youth Front.

The boys are divided into four age groups, from 7 to 11 years, from 11 to 15, from 15 to 18, and from 18 until the age of entry into the Army.

Girls are organised into one section, from 7 to 17 years.

Decreed Functions

Functions of the Youth Front, as listed by the decree, include political education, pre-military education for boys, initiation into home education for girls, and collaboration in cultural, moral, social and religious education and movements.

To carry out their work the Youth Front-affiliated organisations are to organise and direct camps, colonies, hostels, and classes in which Falangist doctrines play a leading role, and to assist the Government in health, education and labour.

Doesn't Believe Son Killed

Conscription For N. Ireland

Nazi Bombing Reduces Nationalist Opposition

BELFAST, May 20 (Reuter).—Conscription is to be imposed in Northern Ireland and the Government's decision to implement it will be announced shortly by the Prime Minister, Mr. J. M. Andrews.

Northern Ireland was omitted from the Statute of the Conscription Act imposed in Britain in 1939 on account of the strong representation made to the Government by Mr. Eamon de Valera, who stated that if imposed, it would lead to strong opposition from the Nationalist minority in Northern Ireland.

Position Changed

The position has changed since then with the bombing of Belfast, in which the homes of all Parties were bombed alike and assistance was given from Eire by their fire and ambulance services.

It does not look, therefore, that there will be any great stirring of the minority public opinion in Northern Ireland when the decision is announced.

Capitulation Of Aosta: Comment By Axis

ZURICH, May 20 (Reuter).—A Rome correspondent writing of the Duke of Aosta, says “capitulation caused great sorrow and profound emotion” in Rome where his prolonged resistance was hoped to have prevented the British from withdrawing troops for use in Libya.

However, according to the “National Zeitung” Berlin circles say that Aosta's capitulation was unimportant because the main part of the British forces in Abyssinia had been withdrawn long ago and had been sent to Libya and Iraq.

MIDWIVES DEFY BOMBS

Two midwives have been awarded the medal of the Civil Division of the Order of the British Empire for courage in attending women in childbirth during raids.

Mrs. Mary Farr, of Portsmouth, protected a mother-to-be with her own body while bombs were exploding near the house.

At one time the surrounding destruction was so great that it seemed the badly damaged house was about to collapse on nurse and patient. The baby was born during the raid.

The other midwife is Mrs. Evelyn Leaver, of Manchester. For more than 20 years she had abandoned her profession. Then, at the height of a heavy raid, came a call for a doctor and midwife. Neither could be reached, an appeal was made to Mrs. Leaver.

Patient in Cellar

Though bombs were shaking the district, she answered the call without hesitation. Not far from the house where the patient was lying a gas main was ablaze.

In the house itself the hall and staircase had been wrecked and pipes fractured, so that water poured through the ceilings.

Mrs. Leaver got the patient to the cellar, where she attended her until a doctor arrived.

Doesn't Believe Son Killed

The Australian Navy Board has told Mrs. C. G. Elliott, of Belmont, that her son is missing and presumed killed, but she doesn't believe this.

Her son is Ordinary Seaman Douglas Elliott, 19.

“I know my son is safe,” Mrs. Elliott told a Sydney “Daily Telegraph” reporter. “The Navy Board's telegram is a terrible mistake.”

Mr. George Elliott, another son, said that he met a shipmate of Douglas only the day before.

“He told me Douglas missed the ship in England with 40 other sailors.”

Despite inquiries from the Navy Board, Mrs. Elliott has not been able to learn additional details.

Misfortune Follows Breese Family

LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—The announcement today that Flying Officer Henry Francis Dempster Breese is missing marks a triple family tragedy of war.

His father, Air Vice-Marshal C. D. Breese, was killed on active service as the result of a flying accident it was announced in March. His elder brother, Flight Lieutenant J. G. Breese, is a prisoner of war in Germany.

Malaya Defence Areas

Notice To Thailand

SPECIAL TO THE “TELEGRAPH”
BANGKOK, May 20 (Donnel).—The British Legation here has informed Thailand that the Penang and Wellesley areas have been designated as special defence districts. It was officially announced.

All foreigners wishing to travel through the above areas must obtain special police permits, the announcement added.

FOOLING THE FRENCH

Hitler Gives His Word

ZURICH, May 19 (Reuter).—An official German communiqué regarding Franco-German negotiations is expected today, according to the Berlin correspondent of the “Basler Nachrichten.”

Berlin assures the German public that concessions made to Vichy will not cancel any of the essential parts of the armistice terms.

Path of Treason

LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—Henri Bernstein, eminent French dramatist, in a letter to the “New York Times” states, “When Marshal Petain orders the French people to follow him along the path of honour he is actually suggesting that they follow him down the road to treason.”

“What he intends that our country should do is to place itself in complete dependence on its mortal enemy, Germany.”

“England has kept her promise to France. She has done more than that. In the hour of defeat, in the hour when we left her alone on the field of battle, she revealed herself to be a most generous friend. No word of reproach fell from the lips of her statesmen.”

THAILAND AS A STOOGES

SPECIAL TO THE “TELEGRAPH”

LONDON, May 20 (Central News).—How the Japanese-Axis trade plot in the Far East was frustrated was revealed in reports reaching London today.

Japan and Germany, it is said, have been using Thailand as a purchasing agent to secure war supplies from the Netherlands East Indies apart from Thailand's own output. A special Thai trade mission was sent to Batavia with cash offering to buy oil ships and rubber which were to be sent to Japan and Germany via Russia. The Dutch discovered the mission acting on behalf of the Axis and decided to consider the offer.

Thailand, it is known, has been supplying Japan and Germany via Russia with her tin, rubber and other commodities.

Enemy Ships Sunk

Record Of A Week

LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—In widespread attacks on enemy shipping during the week ending May 19, units of the British Navy and the R.A.F. have sunk at least eight supply ships totalling 40,500 tons.

In addition, during a highly successful attack by the Fleet Air Arm on an enemy convoy in the Mediterranean, a merchant ship of 8,000 tons blew up with a violent explosion.

An enemy destroyer was hit and clouds of smoke were seen pouring from it.

STOCK EXCHANGE

Moderate Turnover

LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—On the Stock Exchange today, the turnover was moderate. Industries countered selective buying for investment with further enquiry on textile preference issues.

Shipping continued its upward trend. Chief interest centred on Indo-China deferred, which advanced from 95s to 102s 6d.

Glit-edged shares showed fractional losses.

Foreign bonds were mainly firm. Japanese bonds attracted more attention as also did certain Argentine issues.

Kaffirs were firm.

Wall Street was lethargic.

BRAVE NEW ZEALANDERS

LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—The New Zealand Premier, Mr. Peter Fraser, reviewing the New Zealand troops who have returned from Greece, told them: “I know that you are all ready to perform a similar task if called upon.”

APPOINTMENTS

CHUNGKING, May 21 (Central News).—A National Government mandate issued yesterday formally appointed Mr. Hsu Kan, Vice-Minister of Finance as the first Minister of Food.

Mr. Yen Ting-yuan is appointed Director of the General Affairs Department of the Ministry of Finance; Mr. Kang Chi-min is made a member of the Commission on Mongolian and Tibetan Affairs.

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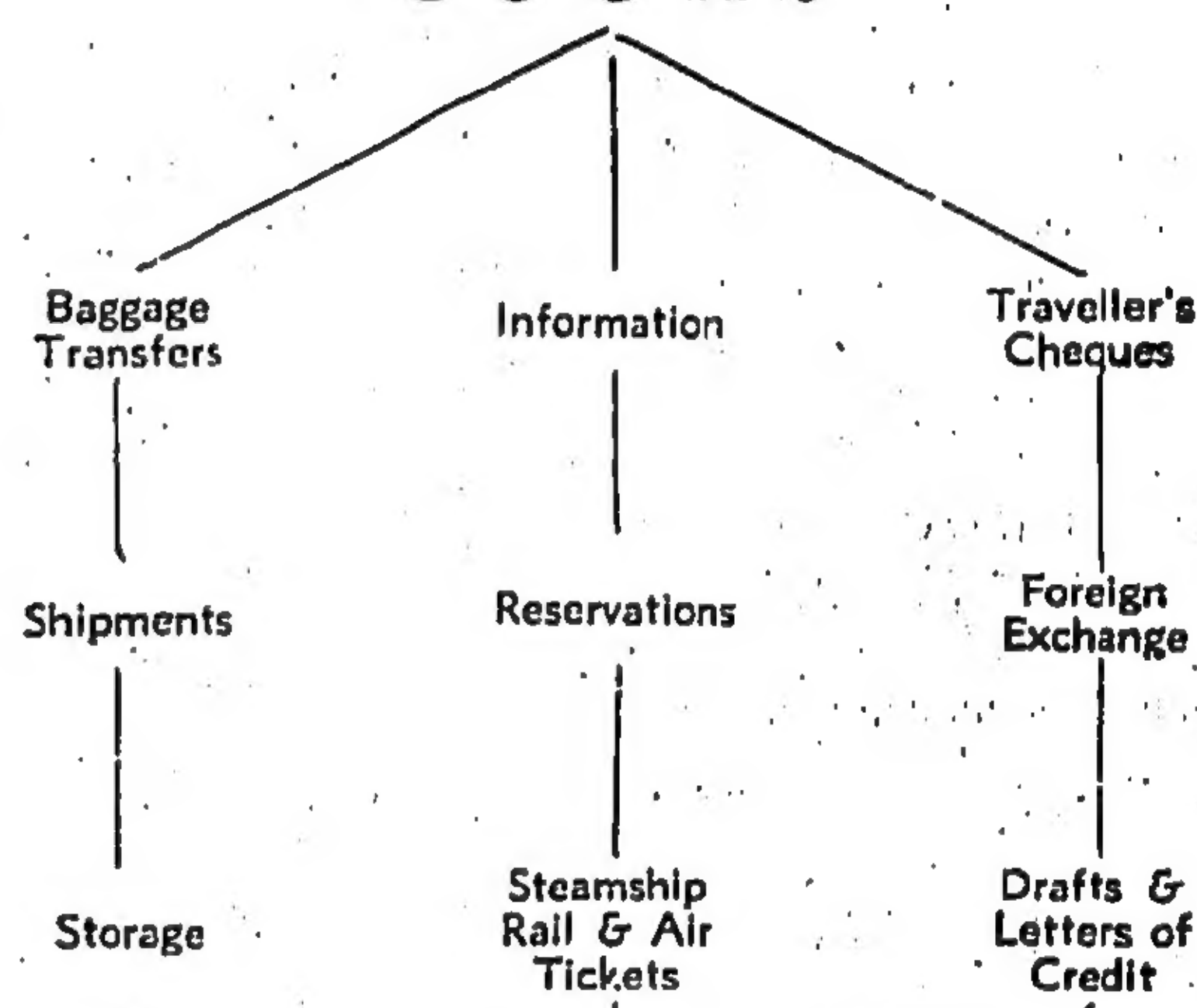
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France Will Fight For Her Empire

Special to the “Telegraph”

WASHINGTON, May 20 (UP).—The French Ambassador, M. Gaston Henry-Haye, today informed Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, that France will resist any attempt to take over any part of her empire, which includes Martinique. He also protested against the United States placing armed guards on French vessels moored in American harbours.

The Ambassador told Mr. Hull under German and Italian control. He reminded Mr. Hull of France's war casualties declaring: “We were beaten this time and we have to readjust ourselves. I told Mr. Hull about the French suffering—125,000 young soldiers killed, 300,000 wounded and 1,500,000 imprisoned, in addition to 80,000 civilians killed.”

It is understood that the primary purpose of his visit was to obtain clarification of the “emotional” situation arising here, which he asserted was unjustified because France had done nothing beyond the terms of the Franco-German armistice under which Germany and Italy are entitled to use French airfields, including Syrian air bases.

Armistice Terms
M. Henry-Haye declared that the armistice under which the French airfields under the Hall from 8 p.m. to 7 p.m. today, armistice article which specifies that all airfields and all installations, tanks and armoured vehicles for the use in any French territory will be placed under German and Italian control.

Bridge And Ma-Jong Drive To-day

The Women's Auxiliary of the Society for the Protection of Children will hold a Bridge and Ma-Jong drive in St. John's Cathedral today. The drive will be held from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. today. The drive will be held from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. today. The drive will be held from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. today.

Some New Ideas About Bunkers

Normal Lay-out Presents Greatest Difficulty for Duffers

Lost Ball in Penalty Ditch

(By "Birdie")

BLAST, BLAST, BLAST, in bunkers and out of them, and if nothing can assuage the pent up feelings of the golfer who has left his footprint, if not in the sands of time, then in most of the sand hazards of his course, let the words of Gene Sarazen and Paul Runyan soothe.

They are two of America's leading golfers and, therefore, should know something about what they are saying. Theirs is the contention that golf courses to-day are too tough for the duffer and too easy for the professional. And it's all a matter of sand bunkers.

Runyan would remove them entirely, while Sarazen, not so drastic in mind, favours moving them to catch the poor shots for the better players rather than leave them to add to the mental distractions of the duffer.

"Traps," says Runyan, "when they are raked smooth aren't hazards to the professionals. Any pro in a trap beside a reasonably flat green expects to get down in two, at the most three, strokes. The high-scoring player may take that number to get out and probably as many more to go down."

Sarazen says that a flock of traps 150 yards from the tee will cause untold suffering among the average players, whereas the pros and top-notchers will probably not see them at all.

"Why," he argues, "not put the traps down the fairway where the better players will see them? They are likely to land, but where they will not bother the beginner who cannot drive that far?"

Though we may hold divided opinions about bunkering the greens, there is much to be said for the placing of the traps on the fairways. Cases in point, perhaps, are bunkers

on the 1st and 9th fairways at Kowloon and the 5th at the Country Club.

"Little Hongkong" is a sand-ringed hillock at the junction of the 1st and 9th fairways at Kowloon, but it offers little in the way of a hazard to the better players, but to the women and the slicing beginner only its comparatively small size prevents it from occupying the whole of their mental horizon.

The sand trap on the 5th at Sheungshui, too, is no hazard to the better players there, but it covers the whole of the approach for the women and beginners.

These, however, are features of the courses mentioned, and their removal would upset the balance—even if people wanted them taken away, which I doubt. But there must be many courses in the world where much stronger cases for the duffers could be made out.

WHAT is the penalty for a lost ball in a penalty ditch?

Rule 22 states: "(1) Except as provided for in Rule 27, if a ball is lost or is deemed by the player to be unplayable, the player shall play his next stroke as nearly as possible at the spot from which the ball which is lost or unplayable was played, adding a penalty stroke to the score for the hole.

If the stroke was played from the teeing-ground, a ball may be teed; if through the green or a hazard it shall be dropped, and if on the putting green it shall be placed."

Rule 27 reads: "If a ball lie or be lost in a recognised water hazard (whether the ball lie in water or not) or in casual water in a hazard, the player may drop a ball, under penalty of one stroke, either (a) behind the hazard, keeping the spot at which the ball crossed the margin of the hazard between himself and the hole, or (b) in the hazard, keeping the spot at which the ball entered the water between himself and the hole. If the ball was played from the teeing ground a ball may be teed, under penalty of one stroke, as nearly as possible at the spot from which the original ball was played."

Now this penalty ditch had water in it, but not very deep, and as I read it, the penalties are two strokes—one for the ditch itself, and another for dropping another ball. Had the player chosen to tee up his ball in or behind the hazard, the penalty would have been increased to three strokes (one for the ditch and two for teeing up).

Local Baseball's Grand Opening On June 7

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL in the Colony will get under way with a bang on Saturday June 7, when His Excellency the Governor of Hongkong, it is hoped, will throw out the first ball to start the season in classic style.

At the general pep meeting last evening, Larry Lawrence was once again unanimously elected president for the coming campaign and all figures point toward a real banner season.

With entries slated to close on Friday May 30, seven ball-playing teams have already entered, with the U.S.S. Mindanao and the mighty Tulsa tarts making it a two-team entry from the American ocean forces.

Change Over

THE MIGHTY "T" are expected to play in collaboration with the U.S.S. Asheville who will fill in for the terrific Tulsa when they are away from the Colony.

Other teams already booked to join in the pennant chase and case in with a try at the Bagrum Shield are—Dhun Ruffonjee's high-powered H.B. Brewers, Chung Hwa Maroons' all-Chinese nine, Flatbush "hot potato" Royal Engineers, the Hongkong Baseball Club and South China's Caroline Hillers.

With special permission from the Military authorities, all games will be played at the green-pastured Chatham Road ball stadium in Kowloon, and a large gas-house grandstand is slated to be constructed before the gala march to the flag-pole.

The following were elected officers—President, Mr. B. C. Lawrence; Vice-President, "Doc" Molthan; Hon. Secretary, Mr. Roy Lau; Hon. Treasurer, Mr. H. A. Barros; Committee, Mr. J. Welford (Royal Engineers), Mr. P. K. Lau (Chung Wah), Mr. C. W. Wong (Hongkong Baseball), Mr. H. Wines (South China), Paymaster Usher (Tulsa), Mr. P. J. Tonnocky (Hongkong Beer), Lt. S. Goodman (Mindanao).

Max Baer Abed With Fractured Vertebra

SACRAMENTO.—A cracked vertebra the fighter said he received in his recent meeting with Lou Nova has put Max Baer to bed.

Dr. Junius B. Harris, ordering indefinite confinement for the former heavyweight champion, said his condition might prove serious. The injury is at the base of Baer's neck.

Nova won the New York fight by an eighth-round technical knockout.

Wrestling Champion Defeated Twice

Tokyo, May 19.—Grand Champion Futabayama, mightiest of juno wrestling giants, whose defeat by the youngest Saburumashiki on May 16 caused a sensation, took the bitter pill of defeat again yesterday, this time from Ayanohori.

At the close of yesterday's matches, the West camp, captained by Futabayama, was leading the East team by five victories with 134 points.

Domei.



Pte Williams breasting the tape for the Army in the 1,600 metres relay of the Army-Combined Chinese athletic meet at Caroline Hill on Sunday.—Ming Yuen.

"Y" And Signals Win Opening Games Of Water-polo League

START of the new water-polo tournament was made yesterday in the Army Pool, where the European Y.M.C.A. beat Middlesex team 5-2, and Royal Corps of Signals defeated the Royal Navy "C" 2-0.

Y.M.C.A. fielded their usual team with the exception of Sloan, making a re-appearance after several years and he proved his worth. Middlesex were weakened by the absence of Ure, who was indisposed, Birdsey and Jones.

The Diehards, however, fully extended Y.M.C.A. and heaved the better of the second half when the Diehards attacked, the pace in the earlier stages having a telling effect.

Though one-sided in the first half as Y.M.C.A. fell into their stride immediately and were four goals up before the interval. In the second half, Middlesex attacked in the deep-end and taking advantage of their slower opponents, scored when Benn was ordered out for drifting.

They netted their second, the best goal of the match through Hymas, who scored from just under the halfway distance when Middlesex took advantage of the slow swim up and marking of Y.M.C.A.

There was little to choose between the goalkeepers but Goodall, of running fame, had more to do. Rallion was the best of the backs, although Hymas played a splendid defensive game defending the deep end.

"Y" Advantage

Y.M.C.A. had the advantage of speed and utilised this in the opening minutes when Benn and May (3) scored. Rallion added the other goal in the second half. May and Benn played sound attacking games, although the latter was a trifle too robust in tackling. Willis was slow in getting the ball away to his forwards and Gold-man was weak in marking in the second half.

Y.M.C.A.—H. C. Eardley; L. A. Benn, F. Willis; E. Rallion; C. Sloan, A. F. May, R. Goldman. Middlesex—Goodall; Hymas, Bindon, Jennings, Plummer, Burdge, Quickenden.

R. C. S. 2 Navy "C" 0

Signals, winners of the Army Large Units League, beat Navy C after leading 1-0 at the interval. The game was remarkable for the close-marking by the sailors, who gave very little away.

Just gave the Signals the lead in the first half. Allen completed their tally in the second. Despite superiority in speed, the Signals were never given much scope for manoeuvring and their goals were the result of opportunism.

The match scheduled for the Navy pool to-morrow between Navy A and 605th Bty will be played in the Navy pool on Saturday at noon.

ENTRIES FOR POLO CLUB GYMKHANA JUMPING EVENT

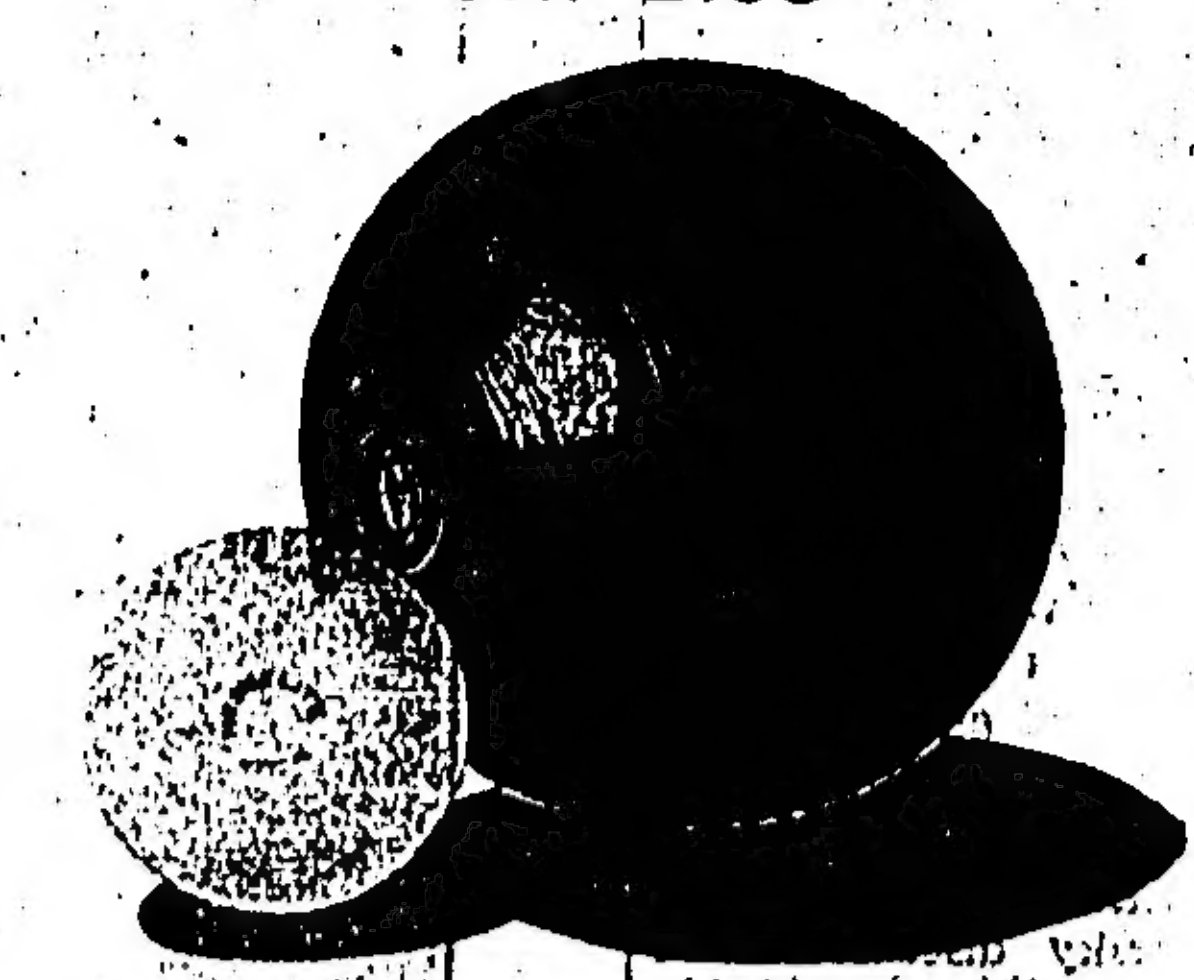
The following are the owners and entries for the Hongkong Polo Club's Show Jumping event at the Gymkhana to be held on Saturday, at the Polo ground, Boundary Street, commencing at 3 p.m.

"A" Class (China ponies)—Canary (Capt. J. Whitaker); Double Chance (Capt. P. J. Skelwith); Herra (J. C. A. Gundersen); Lady Luck (Coltish Club); March Brown (W. T. Stanton); That's That (L. A. Lewis); Trojan (L. A. Lewis); Verthins (Mrs. J. Whitaker).

"B" Class (Australian ponies)—Dingo (Mrs. P. J. Skelwith); Brutus (G. T. Stanton); Canberra Girl (Mrs. W. T. Stanton); Cape Roy (Capt. P. J. Skelwith); Collette Club; George (Lieut. E. Solomon); Conallie (G. O'Connor); King (Capt. J. Marshall); Lady Precious Stream (Capt. J. Marshall); Princess Bridge (D. G. E. Atkinson); Queen of Sheba (Capt. A. Atkinson); Spectrum (Mrs. P. J. Skelwith); Winter's Tale (Capt. P. J. Skelwith); Barrish (Capt. L. J. A. Fiddlen).

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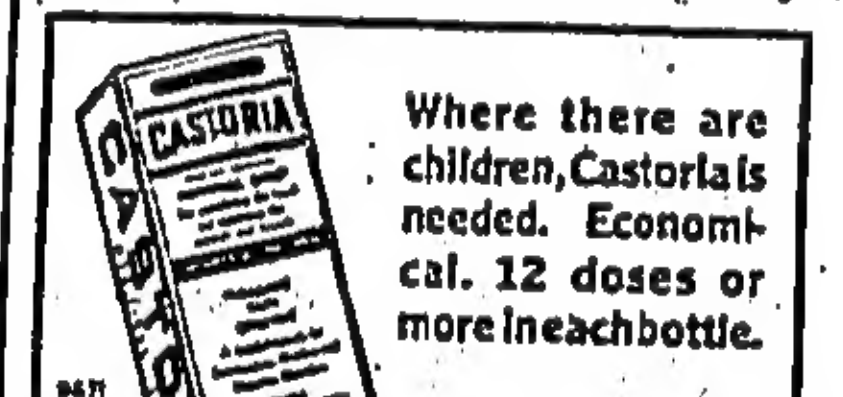
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American P.G.A. Celebrates Twenty-fifth Birthday

LONDON, May 4 (Reuter).—Tempus Fugit! It is hard to realise that a quarter of a century has passed since the birth of the American Professional Golfers' Association. But it has, and news of their Silver Jubilee celebrations reminds one of that day in 1916, during another world war, when the Association was born in New York.

The intervening years have been marked by steady progress and, to-day, America's P.G.A. can claim to be of equal strength to the British P.G.A., which came into being 40 years ago.

It does not take a great deal of thought to perceive the value of such bodies. Apart from the organisation of tournaments, they aid their members in every way, from assistance given when hard times are encountered—the British P.G.A. Benevolent Fund has worked wonders in this respect—to legal advice on knotty problems.

Aid to Pros

A TOURNAMENT run by a ruling body is always more official than one of those held for publicity purposes, and even the latter are watched over by the Association, which looks after the interests of the professionals.

It is obvious, therefore, that there would probably be far fewer tournaments were it not for the Association, and that would mean less prize money.

Golf, from the angle of a profes-

sional's earnings, depends to a large extent on prize-funds, the competitors rarely having an interest in the proceeds of "the gate" as in some sports.

In these days of non-competitive golf in Great Britain, the British Association remains in being, ready to carry on its good work when the war is over. They have sent greetings to their American cousins.

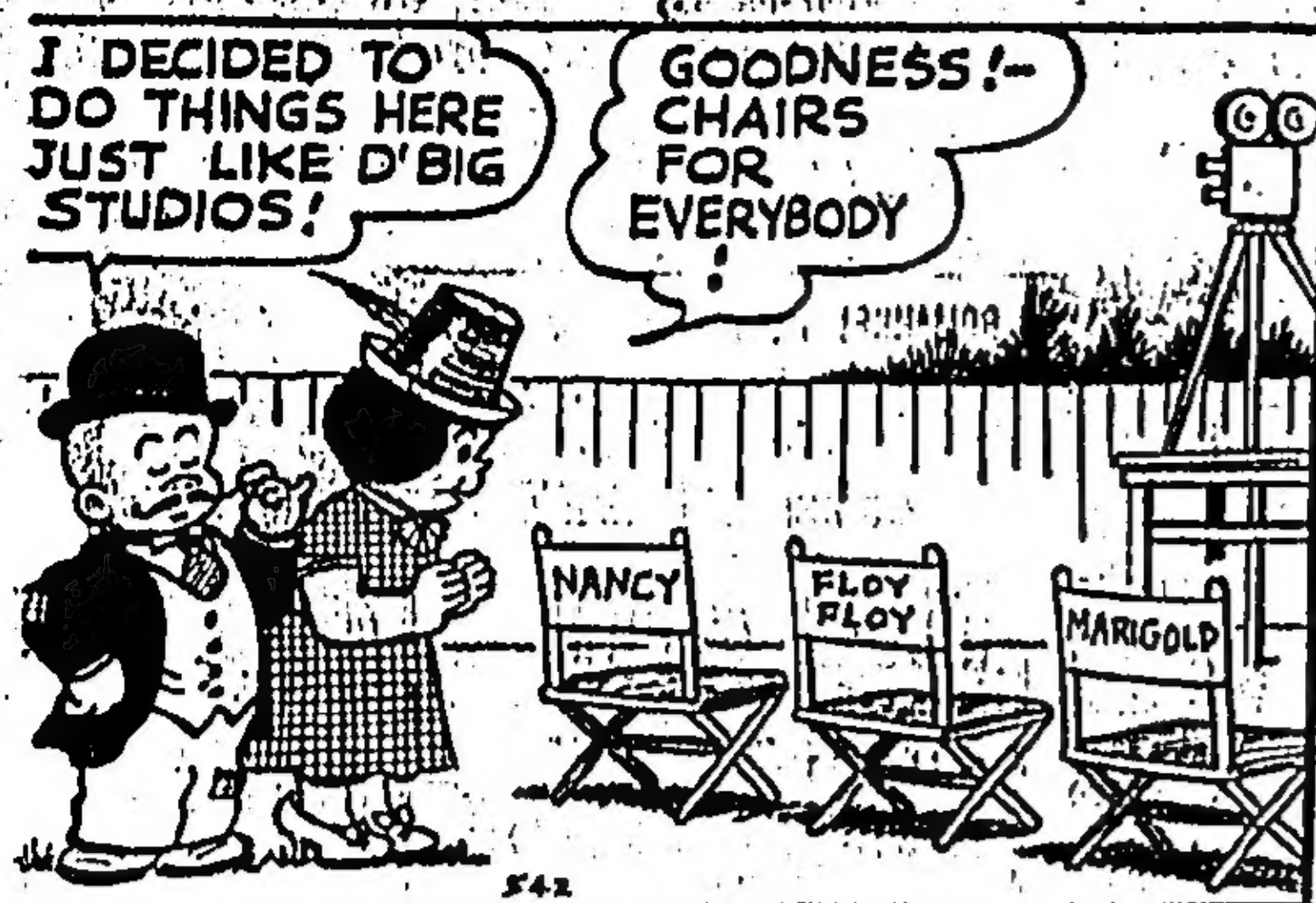
Difficulties Surmounted

THE formation of the American body was not easy when considering the large area to be embraced, and the difficulties seemed to be insurmountable.

Sectional bodies were formed, however, and this eased matters. Each section became strong, giving loyal support to the main body, and it did not take long for the United States G.A. to recognise the value of the professionals.

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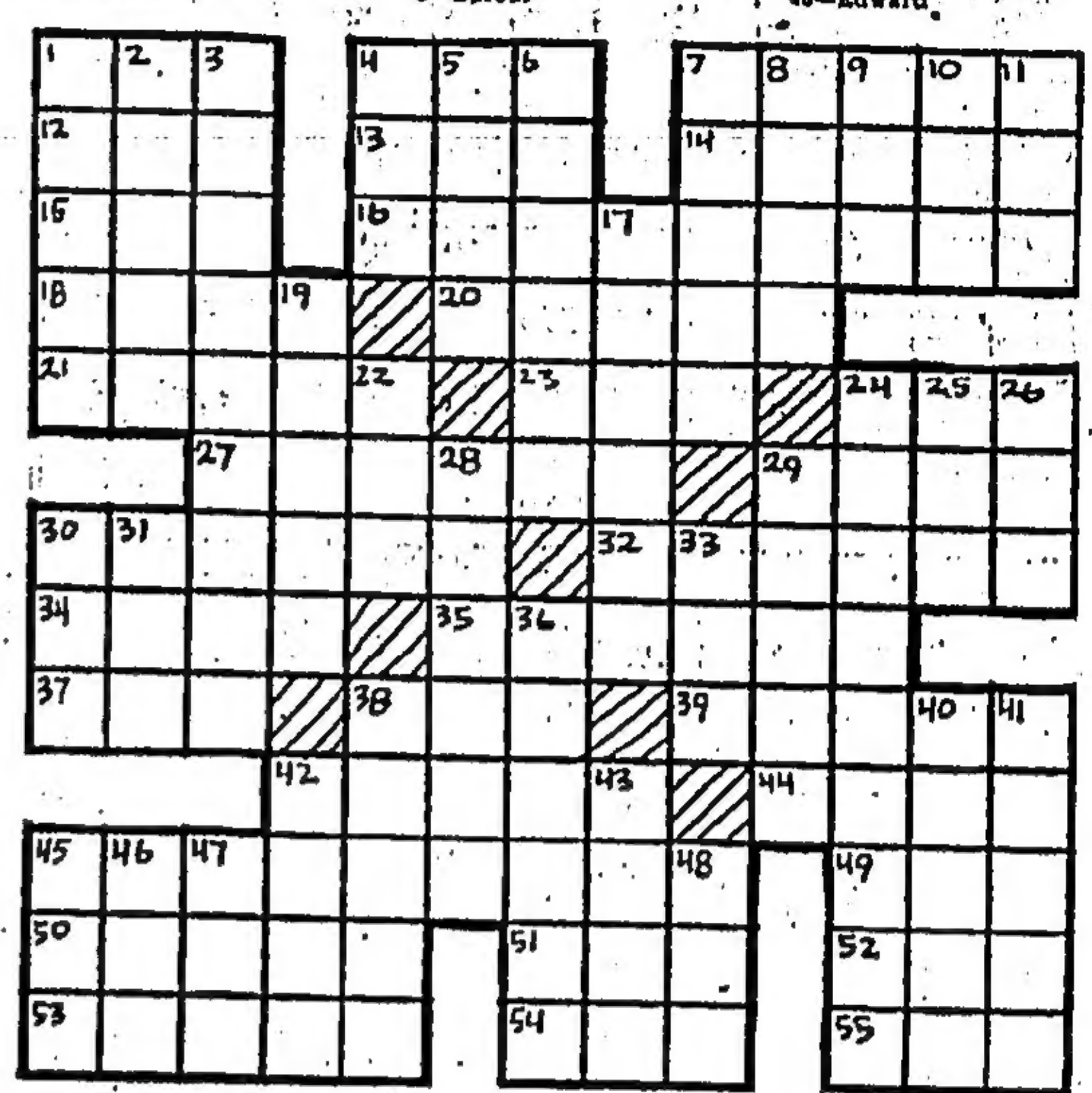
By Ernie Bushmiller

Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

ACROSS
1-Pouch
2-Mocasin
3-Power
4-Anger
5-Usenet hyperbole
6-Important European
7-Evergreen tree
8-Scatterings of liquid
9-Doctrines
10-Leather strip
11-Door
12-Hill eagle
13-Risk
14-Atlet decoration
15-To sheltered aide
16-Loyalty
17-Hemorrhoid
18-Preliminary bet
19-Live
20-Maiden name
21-Compensation
22-Inval
23-Like a lion
24-Hindu deity
25-Utter ruin
26-Terrace
27-Perry Trasha Shelley
28-Kind of deer
29-He situated
30-Come closer
31-Terminal

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE
1-PUCH
2-MOCASIN
3-POWER
4-ANGER
5-USNET HYPERBOLE
6-IMPORTANT EUROPEAN
7-EVERGREEN TREE
8-SCATTERINGS OF LIQUID
9-DOCTRINES
10-LEATHER STRIP
11-DOOR
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22-INVAL
23-LIKE A LION
24-HINDU DEITY
25-UTTER RUIN
26-TERRACE
27-PERRY TRASHA SHELLEY
28-KIND OF DEER
29-HE SITUATED
30-COME CLOSER
31-TERMINAL



Tokyo Report Quashed

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
WASHINGTON, May 20 (UP).—The Secretary of State, Mr. Cordell Hull, to-day denied press reports from Tokyo that the United States had warned Indo China against co-operating with Germany, saying that he had not heard of such action.

Trawlers Down Heinkel 111

LONDON, May 20 (British Wire- less).—The Admiralty announces that last night a Heinkel 111 was engaged and shot down off the east coast by H. M. trawlers Tranio, Thomas Leeds and Stella Leonis. The enemy aircraft had previously been under fire and damaged by H. M. minesweeper, Princess Elizabeth. No casualty or damage was sustained by our ships.

Churchill's Story Of Latest Operations In North Africa

LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—In his statement in the House of Commons to-day, Mr. Winston Churchill referred to the South African army and said that they had played a most distinguished part in the East African fighting.

Continuing, Mr. Churchill said: "They had been ordered by General Smuts to go forward and now as this theatre is closing down, they are to move northwards to the Mediterranean (Cheers)."

"Also two British and Indian divisions gained laurels in the fighting at Kassala and all the way from Kassala to Keren and up to the final events."

"These Indian divisions consist of six Indian battalions and three British battalions. Their ardour and faithful endurance of hardship have won the regard of their British comrades."

"Sometimes we have seen cases where not a single British officer remained and the battalion conducted itself in a most effective manner. "Any account of this campaign reflects very high honour upon the soldiers of India of all castes and creeds engaged."

Anglo-Nazi Encounter

"The second event which occurred since we were last here is the remarkably well-sustained action at Sollum. This is of interest because it was fought exclusively between British and German troops. It has not, I suppose, been found worthwhile to maintain Italian troops at the end of such a long and precarious line of communication (Laughter)."

"The fighting was severe but not on a very large scale. Several of our motorised brigades, supported by armoured brigades and strong artillery, advanced 30 miles from the position where they had deployed for some weeks past and attacked the enemy—taking Sollum, Hellfire Pass and Fort Capuzzo—and the armoured troops had got well round the flank and were well in situation at about 1 p.m. on May 17."

Resolute Counter Attack

"But the Germans launched a resolute counter-attack with about 40 tanks and recaptured Capuzzo. That entailed the withdrawal of the armoured brigades from the advantageous position which they had attained. The operations were, therefore, indecisive."

"The Germans claim 100 British prisoners. We have 500 German prisoners and their losses in tanks and personnel are certainly as heavy, if not heavier, than ours."

"But this operation must be regarded as a background. For over six weeks past, the Germans have been proclaiming that they would shortly be in Suez and have been making much credit with the neutral world by spreading such a statement. It is, therefore, satisfactory to see that we have retained strong offensive power and that fighting is being maintained at any rate on even terms in the advanced areas of the approach to Egypt."

Major Baseball

N. Y. Yankees Nose Out St Louis

NEW YORK, May 19 (UP).—New York Yankees nosed out St Louis Browns 10-9 in the American League to-day. In the National League, Chicago Cubs trounced Brooklyn Dodgers 9-0. Scores were:

AMERICAN LEAGUE			
New York	10	9	1
Batteries: Ruffing, Murphy, Branch, Dickkey			
St. Louis	9	13	0
Batteries: Auker, Carter, Ferrell			
Chicago	9	11	2
Batteries: Lee, Tresh			
Washington	2	6	0
Batteries: Leonard, Carrasquel, Anderson, Early, Evans			
Cleveland	5	9	2
Batteries: Harder, Bogby, Hieving, Hemslay, Desautels			
Philadelphia	6	10	2
Batteries: Hadley, Harris, Potter, Ferriek, Hayes			

NATIONAL LEAGUE			
New York	9	10	2
Batteries: Schumacher, Melton, Danning			
Pittsburgh	1	10	1
Batteries: Klingler, Lopez			
Brooklyn	1	9	0
Batteries: Hughes, Kinney, Owen, Phelps			
Chicago	9	10	1
Batteries: Lee, McCullough			
Boston	6	7	3
Batteries: Erickson, Johnson, Javary, Torres			
Cincinnati	9	10	2
Batteries: Thompson, L. Moore, Hiddle, Lombard, West			
Philadelphia	6	10	0
Batteries: Johnson, Beck, Pearson, Warren			
St. Louis	4	8	1
Batteries: Shoun, Hutchison, Mahan			

Mr Menzies' Return

MELBOURNE, May 20 (Reuter).—The Federal War Cabinet has cleared up the outstanding business in preparation for the return of the Prime Minister, Mr. R. G. Menzies, from North America at the week-end.

Mr. Menzies will broadcast a message to the nation immediately on arrival. Mr. A. W. Fadden, the Acting Prime Minister, will hand over to Mr. Menzies officially on May 20.

Nazi Raiders May Be Operating from Dakar

Special to the "Telegraph"

WASHINGTON, May 20 (UP).—The revelation that the steamer Zamzam was sunk in the South Atlantic has aroused apprehension in official circles to-day that German raiders might be operating from African ports such as Dakar. It has also caused serious speculation regarding the status of United States shipping which is scheduled to move to Egypt under President Roosevelt's recent decree opening the Red Sea to United States merchant vessels.

The fact that the Germans considered the Zamzam's cargo as contraband, although none of it was actual military equipment, created the presumption that cargoes on United States ships would also be classed as contraband by the Germans.

The State Department withheld comment but it is understood that it is making every effort to determine the whereabouts of the American citizens who were taken off the Zamzam before she was sunk. The Berlin announcement that they are in "occupied territory" suggested Dakar or Casablanca.

Berlin Report

BERLIN, May 20 (UP).—An official news agency report from unofficial circles states that the Zamzam passengers have been landed by a German merchant steamer at a West African French port. It added that a German warship made a prize of the Zamzam in the middle of April and sank her after rescuing the passengers and crew.

Hit By Mine, Say Nazis
LONDON, May 19 (Reuter).—Reports reaching London say that the Germans are now circulating reports that the Zamzam was sunk by a mine. It is pointed out, however, that if she went down in the deep waters of the South Atlantic it is extremely unlikely that mines would have been encountered there. In any case, if she did strike a floating mine or one that had broken adrift, how did the Germans know about it?

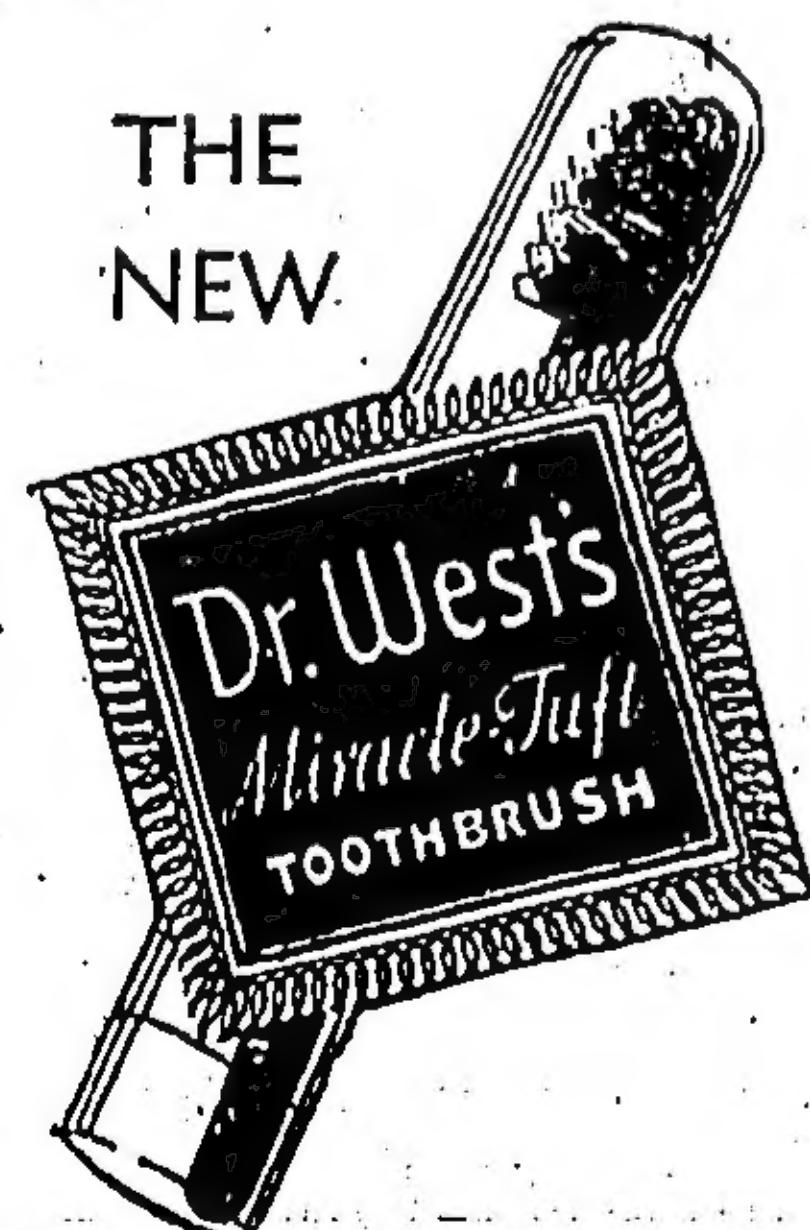
On the other hand, this part of the Atlantic is known to be frequented by German pirates and her sinking by torpedo is much more likely.

Telegram To Berlin
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
WASHINGTON, May 20 (UP).—The State Department to-day cabled the United States Embassy at Berlin for details of the sinking of the Egyptian steamer Zamzam and also for information regarding the passengers.

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STRATEGIC SUCCESS IN IRAQ

CAIRO, May 20 (Reuter).—The great strategic value of the Iraq town of Fallujah, captured by the British from the rebels, is stressed in Cairo military circles.
Fallujah bridge is the only crossing of the Euphrates between Habbaniyah and Baghdad. Had this narrow one-way traffic bridge been destroyed—and it was thought that the rebels had mined it—Habbaniyah would have been cut off from British land-borne reinforcements, and since the Euphrates is in full flood, it would have caused considerable embarrassment to the British, operations in this area.

Whirlaway Proves Its Supremacy

NEW YORK, May 19 (UP).—Whirlaway, Kentucky Derby and Preakness States winner, established its greatness to-day running in a special race at Belmont Park against Molanda and three other crack handikap theunhatched.
Whirlaway was a comfortable first, with Molanda second and Hash third.
The time was 1 min. 43.0 secs. Whirlaway broke through in the home straight and speeded through to an easy finish.

Donations To Causes

A total of \$1,037,007.78 was reached yesterday by the War Fund inaugurated by the S. S. Post, Ltd., with the following donations:
Mrs. M. Matheson (in memory of the late Mrs. D. J. Lewis) \$ 50
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Mr. J. D. Bickelhauf and the late Mr. Tom Lyster 10
Mr. and Mrs. D. Drummond (second donation) 1,000
Mrs. E. A. Green 200
Anonymous 10
Health Division, E. D. O. 10
Two Seal Pups per Mrs. H. H. H. 10
Mr. H. W. Simmons and Mrs. D. Lyon, for Browne and Blackie 50
Anonymous 50
THE SALVATION ARMY.
The Salvation Army Headquarters gratefully acknowledge receipt of the following donations, which have been credited to the Annual Appeal for 1941:
Aileen Woods and Mrs. Doris Woods, \$10; Mr. and Mrs. P. K. Kwok, \$20; Mr. H. W. Merrick, \$3; Mrs. K. E. Moore, \$3; Mr. Owen Hughes, \$3; Mr. A. A. MacIntosh, \$25; Mr. F. V. Jensen, \$20; Mr. K. C. Tsang, \$10; Mr. D. L. Newington, \$10; Mr. A. L. Brand, \$10; the Staff, Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, \$10; the Staff, Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China, Hongkong, \$10. Total to date, \$4,600.

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The Hongkong Tuberculosis Association gratefully acknowledges the following donations and subscriptions:
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STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary, issued yesterday, is:

Buyers
Indo-Chinas (Prof) \$80
Providents \$5.05
Hotels \$2.05
Lands \$31
Renties \$2.70
Lights "O" \$5.70
Electric Rts \$11.25
Entertainments \$0.25
Sellers
Providents \$5.15
Cements \$13.75
Sales
H.K. Banks \$1,310
Providents \$5.10
Lands \$31
Electric Rts \$11.50
Macao Electric \$18.75

LATE NEWS

C.N.A.C. Plane Latest Incident

It is revealed, in connection with the forcing down of the C.N.A.C. plane at Ipin, near Chengtu, that Dr. and Mrs. Brown, who were among the passengers who escaped injury, are attached to the American Methodist Mission. For many years Dr. Brown was in charge of the A.M.M. hostel in Wuhu and is well known throughout the Yangtze River area. He and his wife returned only last week from the United States.
An interesting sidelight on the Ipin incident is an official communique issued to-day by the Japanese Central China Fleet Command which, although referring to attacks on the Ipin and Chengtu airfields, makes no mention of the C.N.A.C. plane incident. However, the communique stated that "one large plane grounded at the Ipin airfield was badly damaged," and presumably this was the C.N.A.C. machine.

Defenders Deal With Invaders

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A rehearsal for the invasion of Britain.
Churchill Amplifies Statement
LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—Mr Winston Churchill made another surprise statement in the House of Commons to-day, disclosing the dramatic news that the situation in Crete is now in hand. He recalled that he had earlier in the day mentioned the beginning of a serious attack upon Crete and thought that the House would like to know before it separated what was the latest Government information.
He said: "I cannot pretend that this statement is of momentous importance. It is only because we are altogether and I thought that the House was most anxious that I should keep them fully informed."

"After a good deal of intense bombing of Suda Bay and various aerodromes in the neighbourhood, about 1,500 enemy troops, wearing New Zealand battle dress (indignant cries) landed by gliders, parachutes and troop-carriers in the Canea-Malemi area.
This message was sent at noon to-day and the military reported that the situation was in hand."

Latest Reports

"A later report at 3 p.m. says that there is continuous reconnaissance, accompanied by sporadic bombing and machine-gunning, chiefly against the anti-aircraft defences.
"The military hospital between Canea and Malemi, which was captured by the enemy, has now been recaptured.
"A fairly strong enemy party, is reported to the south of Canea-Malemi Road, which is not yet mopped up, but other parties are thought to be accounted for.
"I thought that the people would like to hear how the action has so far developed." (Cheers).

Glanders Used

CAIRO, May 20 (Reuter).—The German attack on Crete, which began just before dawn this morning, and which was preceded by yesterday's heavy air bombardment, had been expected and the appointment of Major-General C. B. Freyberg, v.c., as Commander-in-Chief, together with reinforcement of the defences and manpower, indicates Allied preparedness.
Crete is a considerable menace to the enemy because of its proximity to the main island, and its capture will prove extremely difficult.
Lacking seapower, Germany must rely on air-borne troops; lacking landing grounds—the island is very mountainous—Germany must rely on parachute troops.

The use of engineless gliders, which can land more easily on uneven ground, was a surprise move by the defenders were not caught unawares.
The British and Allied forces are assisted in the island's defence by the warlike Cretan hillmen, whose womenfolk even are accustomed to the constant necessity of fighting to protect their homes.

Formidable Home Guard
Led by the Captains of the hills, such as Captain Holyoake, who had killed ten men when he was still only nineteen years old, and the bearded giant, Captain Tan, the hillmen are banded together, armed chiefly with knives and swords. They constitute a formidable "Home Guard" and Intelligence Service and can be relied upon to deal with any Nazi parachutists unfortunate enough to fall into their hands.

Odd Against Parachutists
(BY "REUTERS" MATHEW CORRESPONDENT)

LONDON, May 20.—The German attempt to establish a foothold on Crete by parachutists and airborne troops is unquestionably a most daring and hazardous move.
The chances of success are slender. It can be regarded as a big gamble, but is probably intended as a full-dress rehearsal for other invasion plans against Britain.

A German plan for the capture of the island is that they will probably try to seize the coastal strip so that blockade runners can be rushed across from Greek waters while British warships are kept off by heavy air attacks.

Parachutists may also try to seize aerodromes and to panic the population by indiscriminate shooting.

Cretans Good Fighters
Cretans have always been among the best Greek soldiers and it is most unlikely that the Germans will find fifth columnists among them.

Although no figures are available of the strength of the British, New Zealand and Greek forces in Crete, there is no reason to doubt that they would be more than a match for any airborne troops, whose numbers are necessarily limited.

R.A.F. & R.N. Handy

The R.A.F. can be relied on to take a severe toll of the heavy Junkers planes, and the Royal Navy, with its anchorage at Suda Bay, should be in a position to maintain a pretty effective blockade against any approach to the Greek coast or the Dodecanese.

Parachutists, who are able to carry ammunition and iron rations for several days, may be able to institute some form of guerrilla warfare, but the odds against the invaders are heavy.

Hazardous Undertaking

LONDON, May 20 (UP).—Some idea of the extent to which the Germans prepared to attack Crete is indicated by the estimate that one division landed in the first phase of the operations. A division would require 700 Junker 52s making a trip twice for personnel alone, regardless of the big supply formations carrying heavy mortars, heavy machine-guns, anti-tank guns, ammunition and perhaps light tanks. The number of carriers increases to the proportion of parachute planes and gliders used.
Junker 52s are supposed to carry 14 paratroops but glider hardly carries over 10 soldiers. The number of troops at General Freyberg's disposal is unknown, but it is recalled that the Greeks claimed the evacuation of four divisions from the mainland, and in addition to this there must be a considerable British force

PEACE TALK SUGGESTION BY REP. K. MUNDT

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
WASHINGTON, May 20 (UP).—Representative Karl Mundt in a radio talk this evening proposed that President Roosevelt convene a conference of neutrals and "prepare the outlines of a just and permanent peace—not a negotiated peace by belligerents, but an orderly peace conceived by neutrals," including the Pope, the President of Switzerland, Mr. Ernest Wetter, King Gustav of Sweden, President Inonu of Turkey and notables from North and South America.

Kowloon Tong Badminton Finals To-morrow

The finals of the Kowloon Tong G.C.A. Badminton Championships will be held to-morrow night, and following these matches there will be exhibition matches.
Players from Recoelo and Kowloon Tong will meet in a doubles match, and in the Singles A. L. Fisher will play A. N. Other.

Naturalised Japanese American And Wife Make Decision

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
TOKYO, May 21 (Domel).—After residing in Japan for 23 years, Mr William R. Gorhan and his wife Hazel have become naturalised citizens.

Mr Gorhan, who is a mechanical engineer and Director of the National Precision Machine Tool Company, has been connected with the Nissan and Hitachi interests for 20 years. His wife, who has written several books on Japanese flower arrangement and on Japanese gardens, made a tour of the United States for half a year in 1938 lecturing on flower arrangement, gardens, tea ceremony, school and family life in Japan. She is now an associate of the Central Federation of Japanese Culture, where she takes charge of the weekly demonstrations of flower arrangement and of similar subjects.
Two sons, Don and William, are living in the United States. Don, the younger, recently graduated from a Tokyo University as the first American graduate and is now continuing his studies in the United States. William is with the Pratt and Whitney aircraft division of the United States Aircraft Corporation, following his graduation from the California Institute of Technology.

Greek Govt Reports

Not Going To Egypt

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, May 20 (UP).—Official quarters to-day stated that reports that the Greek Cabinet or Government have transferred to Egypt are not true.

It is believed unofficially that the rumours may have resulted from the visits of individual members of the Cabinet, perhaps on Government missions. Because Egypt is neutral, it is considered unlikely that the Greek Government would transfer there even if it became necessary to move in the future.

Nazis Lost Heavily

FROM PAGE ONE

anean in one of the boldest strokes the Germans have yet made in that area.

The attack looks more like a gamble than anything Hitler customarily undertakes because he has to contend with the British Navy and because of the British Navy, Hitler has not attempted to transport any troops by sea even to the Dodecanese Islands which flank the Turkish coast and which are only 250 miles from the fortified island of Rhodes. Crete is 200 miles from Derna, Libya, under 250 miles from besieged Tobruk, 540 miles from Alexandria, 550 from Port Said and 350 from the Dardanelles—all are within easy bombing distance.

Hitler needs Crete removed from his path, not only to prevent the British from using it as a base to harry the German and Italian supply lines, but to use the island himself as a closer approach to North Africa.

accumulated since Britain established bases on the island six months ago.
BERLIN, May 20 (UP).—Up to 7.30 p.m. this evening, German quarters insisted that they were unable to say anything regarding the report that German parachute troops had attacked Crete, but informed circles stated that it was a false assertion that any parachutists were wearing New Zealand uniforms. They stated that a portion of the parachutists were recently outfitted with khaki uniforms, similar to those of the German Afrika Corps, for use in the tropics and warm climates.

Rear-Admiral Gadow in a front page article in to-morrow's "Deutsche Allgemeine" will point out the victories in Greece and the Aegean Islands, instead of handicapping the Axis, provides them with new starting points. The article concludes that the once vague conception of a land bridge to India has taken on practical significance with the threatened Arabian uprisings and growing anti-British sentiment in Egypt and India.

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Dobbie Takes Charge Of Malta Arrest Of 47 Ex-Night Soil Coolies

LONDON, May 19 (Reuter).—Major-General Sir William George Shedden Dobbie, known as the modern "Gordon" owing to his religious fervour, has, the Colonial Office announced, been appointed Governor of Malta.
Sir William has been administering the Government of Malta since he assumed command of the troops in April 1940, with the exception of a short period in May 1940 immediately before General Sir Charles Bonham-Carter left the Colony.
General Dobbie was previously J.O.C. Malaya.

It is announced that 47 of the ex-night soil coolie demonstrators who attacked members of the police force at the Post Office building yesterday have been arrested. These include the five delegates who were granted an interview by the Hon. Mr W. J. Carrle, Chairman of the Urban Council.
One of the arrested women is now in hospital suffering from injuries to the head received during a quarrel.
The Indian constable whose hand was badly bitten received treatment at a hospital, but was not detained.

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